

RedCrab

Math V

User Manual

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System requirement

Minimum Pentium P4 and 2 GB RAM.

Operating system: *Microsoft Windows Vista, W7, W8, W10*

.NET Framework 4.5

No installation of the software is required. RedCrab can also be launched from external devices, e.g. USB stick.

Calculation range and accuracy:

Floating point

Accuracy: 15 – 16 digits
Calculation range: $\pm 5 \times 10^{-324}$ to $\pm 1.7 \times 10^{308}$

Floating point is due to the large range of values suitable for engineering and scientific calculations.

Decimal

Accuracy: 28-29 digits
Calculation range: -79,228,162,514,264,337,593,543,950,335
to 79,228,162,514,264,337,593,543,950,335

Is approximate -7.9×10^{28} to 7.9×10^{28}

Decimal is suitable due to the small rounding error for financial and monetary calculations.

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RedCrab Math

RedCrab is a math program with a full screen editor. Mathematical expressions are not entered here in a single command line, but written in any editor position similar to a sheet of paper. Mathematical symbols like fraction lines and roots are supported.

The handling of the basic functions is just like a conventional calculator. No training is required. Whoever can operate a pocket calculator can also use **RedCrab** without studying the manual.

This guide describes advanced features which a normal calculator does not possess. Additional RedCrab's menu elements have tool tips with examples in English and German language.

Additional Information: www.redchillicrab.com/en/redcrab/tutor.html

RedCrab is fully portable. The program can be started from external data storage source without installation.

1.0 Math Box

To input a mathematical expression, open a calculation sheet (math box) by double-click with the left mouse button on the desired position. It opens a small calculation field that increases automatically when you input the formula.

Alternatively you can open a larger math box. To do this, select an area on the worksheet with the left mouse button and click the New math box button.

With the mouse you can change the math boxes position and size. With the keyboard, you can enlarge the math box if you move the cursor beyond the edge of the box. If you move the cursor from the edge inward while holding down CTRL button, the box is reduced accordingly.

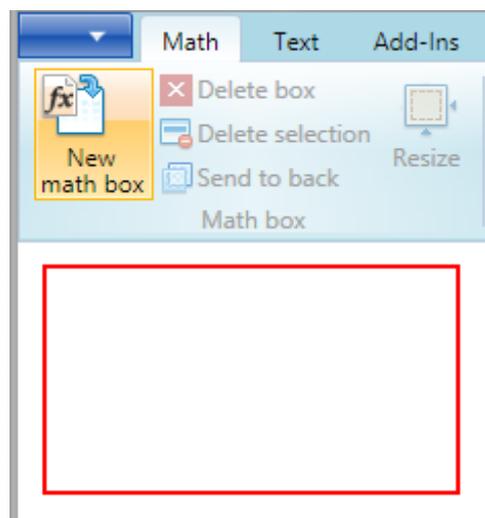
You can write multiple mathematical expressions on one math box, or you can apply separate math boxes for each formula. Each math box has separate settings for input options and output formatting.

The Math box group contains some additional buttons for math box handling.

Delete box deletes the activated box. **Delete selection** clears the selected range. **Send to back** send the box to the back when it is displayed in front of another box.

To open a math box select an area on the worksheet with the left mouse button and click the **New math box** button.

The **Resize** button minimizes the math box. To do this, the empty columns on the right and the empty rows at the bottom are removed.



1.1 Mathematical Expressions

You can write your formula basically at any editor position. Any expression may occupy any number of rows and columns. It is not allowed splitting an expression and to continue in the next row.

Wrong: $z = 12+14+15+20$
 $+5+10$

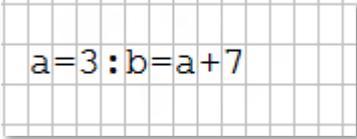
Correct: $z = 12+14+15+20+5+10$

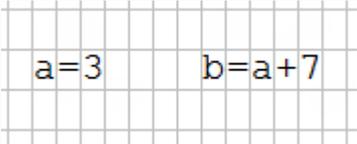
Correct: $X = 12+14+15+20$
 $Z = X+5+10$

You can write several mathematical expressions on one worksheet. The expressions result displays only if terminated with equal sign.

Example 1: $a+b = 108$
 $a=27+9$
 $8*4 = 32$
 $b=12*6 = 72$

Several mathematical expressions can be written per row. Between each mathematical expression, there must either a minimum number at blank columns (defined in *Menu Options.Column Space*) or a colon must be set.

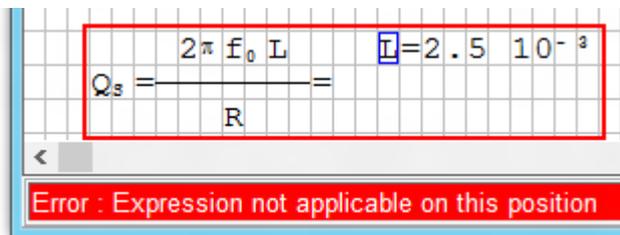
Example 1: 

Example 2: 

| | |
|-------------------------------------|-------------------------|
| $C1 = \frac{1}{2\pi f_H z\sqrt{2}}$ | $= 5.024 \cdot 10^{-6}$ |
| $L1 = \frac{z\sqrt{2}}{2\pi f_H}$ | $= 643.1 \cdot 10^{-6}$ |
| $C2 = C1$ | $= 5.024 \cdot 10^{-6}$ |
| $L2 = L1$ | $= 643.1 \cdot 10^{-6}$ |
| $C3 = \frac{1}{2\pi f_L z\sqrt{2}}$ | $= 17.58 \cdot 10^{-6}$ |

An equal sign behind a formula is always assigned to the previous formula, even if the distance to the formula is greater than the column space setting. In the example right, the distance of the equal sign is up to eight columns, although the minimum distance is only four columns.

Close proximity can cause unexpected errors. For error localization **RedCrab** marked the cell where an error is detected with a blue frame. It also marks the incorrect formula with a red frame. In the example below, an invalid assignment is signaled. The red box shows, however, that two formulas were joined because the distance is too close. The setting in this example is 4 columns; the distance between the formulas is only 2 columns.



1.2 Simple Addition

1. Enter the expression $17 + 4$
2. For result press **Ctrl+Enter**

The **Ctrl+Enter** key starts **RedCrab** and displays the result. Alternatively, click the function panels **Enter** button. Results are always displayed in blue.

The display shows: $17+4=21$

Variable and Values

1. Enter the expression $17 + 4 + X$
2. Enter the assignment $X = 43$
3. For result press **Ctrl+Enter**

RedCrab displays the result: 64

The display shows: $17+4+X=64$
 $X=43$

The assignment can be entered at any position.

1.3 Exponent

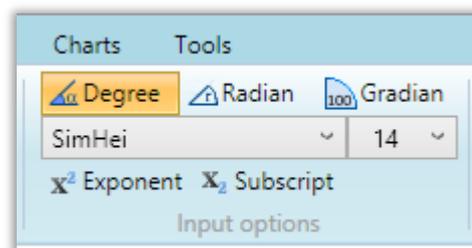
The expression: $c = a^2 + 4^2$.

1. Enter the expression: $c = a$ **Ctrl+2** + 4 **Ctrl+2** =
2. Press **Ctrl+Enter** to display result.

The display shows: $c=3^2+4^2=25$

The keys **Ctrl+2** write the exponent 2. With the keys **Ctrl+3** you can write the exponent 3.

For use of any other values for exponents, press the **Ctrl+6** keys or click the **Exponent** Button in the **Input options** group on the **Math** menu ribbon to enter the **Superscript** mode. Then enter the exponent value. Press **Ctrl+6** or **Enter** or click the **Exponent** Button to leave the **Superscript** mode.



Key functions:

- Function key **Ctrl + 6** enabled / disabled **Superscript** mode
- Function key **F3** enabled / disabled **Superscript** mode.
- The **Enter** key leaves the Superscript mode.

If you activate Superscript when the cursor is over a character, or a range is selected, the character under the cursor or the selected range changed from normal letters in superscript. The **Superscript** mode is not enabled in this case, only the sign is changed. Similarly, the character can be reset by **Superscript** in normal font.

1.4 Subscript

Enter the formula: $X_L = 2 * 628$

Press the keys: X **Ctrl+_** L **Enter** = 2 * 6 2 8 =

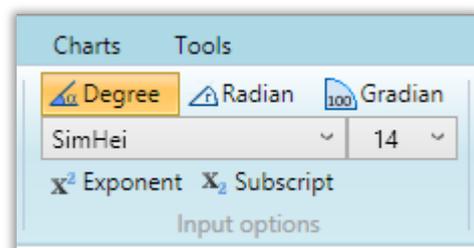
With the keys **Ctrl+_** (*underscore*) you can switch **Subscript** on / off. Alternative you can use **Enter** to leave the **Subscript** region.

Key functions:

- The *underscore_* key and **Ctrl + _** (*underscore*) toggles **Subscript** too.
- **Subscript** mode can be enabled / disabled using the function key **F4**.
- The **Enter** key leaves the **Subscript** mode.

If you activate **Subscript** when the cursor is over a character, or a range is selected, the character under the cursor or the selected range changed from normal letters in subscript. The **Subscript** mode is not enabled in this case, only the sign is changed. Similarly, the character can be reset by **Subscript** in normal font.

Instead of using the keyboard, you can activate the subscript mode with a click on the **Subscript** button in the group **Input option** on the **Math** menu ribbon.



1.5 Alternative Font

Enter the formula: $\omega = 2 * \pi * f$

The **Ctrl** key shifts the letters to the alternative font. The example above shows that the keys **Ctrl + P** displayed the Hellenic letter **Pi** (π).

For a complete list of special symbols, you can refer to the description of the keyboard below. If you work with RedCrab, the simplest way is to open the virtual keyboard with a click on the **Virtual keyboard** button on the **Tools** menu ribbon.

1.6 Implied Multiplication

Enter the formula: $\omega = 2 \pi f$

The example above show one more features of RedCrab: the **implied multiplication**. That means you do not need to include the multiplication operator

Example: **RedCrab** interprets $\omega = 2 \pi f$ as $\omega = 2 * \pi * f$

A space is required between the names of the variables. Related letters are interpreted as one word.

Example: $a b c$ is equivalent to $a * b * c$

$3 a b$ is equivalent to $3 * a * b$

$2X_L$ is equivalent to $2 * X_L$

$R_1 R_2$ is equivalent to $R_1 * R_2$

1.7 Fractions

Entering a fraction line: Press the keys **CTRL+ /** (Ctrl + Slash) and a three-character fraction bar will be displayed. By repeatedly pressing the keys the fraction bar is extended by one character forward. In general, it is sufficient if

you continue entering data above and below the fraction line. When typing the numerator or denominator data, the fraction bar is automatically extended by the editor as far as it is required.

If you have taken the fraction line, the cursor is in the first column after the line. Press in this position **Enter** key, the cursor moves over the slash to the first position of the numerator. After entering the numerator, press again **Enter**, the cursor jump to the first position of the Denominators. After entering the data, press **Enter** again. The cursor jumps back into the column right of the fraction line.

! The fraction bar must exceed at least 1 character front and rear.

Examples:

$\frac{123}{abc}$ wrong

$\frac{123}{Abc}$ correct

The display shows:

$$f = \frac{1}{2\pi\sqrt{LC}} = 2.6 \cdot 10^3$$

$$L = 0.8 \cdot 10^{-3}$$

$$C = 4.7 \cdot 10^{-6}$$

1.8 Root

Set the root character with the keys *CTRL+I* to the desired position. Then mark the area which is to be included under the root. Finally set the cursor on the root of character, the editor draws the root symbol over the marked area.

For one-line root calculation, the following steps apply:

1. Set root symbol with *CTRL+I*.
2. Enter the data
3. Holding down the Shift key and with *Cursor-left* key reposition to the root sign.

The editor draws the root symbol over the marked area.

For multi-line data in the root (e.g., fractions):

1. Set root symbol with *CTRL+I*.
2. Data entry.
3. Mark the area for the root with the mouse.
4. Click the mouse on the root symbol.

The editor draws the root symbol over the marked area.

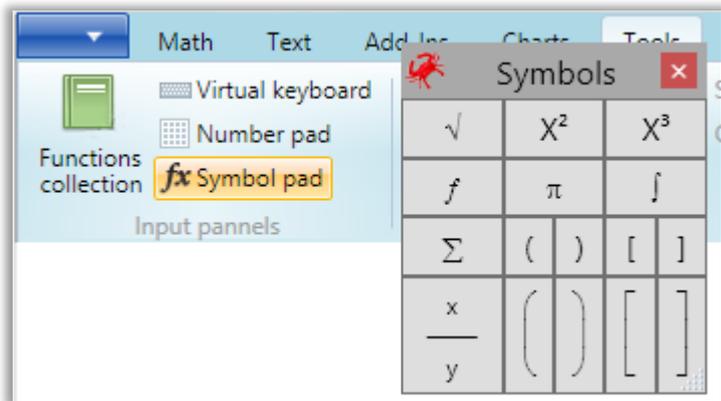
In order to highlight the area, it is sufficient if the last column under the root is marked.

To change the area under the root, highlight, as described above, the new field and then click the cell of the root sign. The roots then marked the new area.

By double-clicking on the root symbol the root lines around the data is removed.

1.9 Symbol Panel

Instead per keyboard you can insert the special symbols per mouse click. To do that, open the *Symbol* panel with a click on the *Tools* menu ribbons *Symbol pad* button.



1.10 Hexadecimal, Octal and Binary Input

The *RedCrab* editor accepts input of hexadecimal numbers up to 13 digits. The hexadecimal number must mark with a dollar symbol before it. The use of small or capital letters are allowed.

Example: `$1F2A` or `$1f2a`

An octal number is marked with the dollar symbol and the letters *oct*. The length is limited to 20 characters.

Example: `$oct3721`

A binary number is marked with the dollar symbol and the letters *bin*. The length is limited to 20 characters.

Example: `$bin110101`

You can use hexadecimal, octal or binary numbers in any position of a formula like decimal numbers. Between this number and the following number or variable must be a space or operator symbol.

Example: Correct: `$1F2A*X` or `$1F2A X`
Wrong: `$1F2AX` => generate an error message.

Results can be displayed as hexadecimal, octal or binary number in result boxes. Read below *Result Box / Format Commands*.

1.11 Operators

RedCrab enable you to enter numbers and functions in a simple, straightforward sequence. The table below shows the order in which functions in expressions are entered and evaluated.

| | |
|---|--|
| 1 | SIN(), NOT(), root... and all functions left of the argument |
| 2 | X^2 , .. , |
| 3 | join |
| 4 | *, /, DIV, MOD, AND, SHL, SHR, INCL, EXCL, |
| 5 | +, -, OR, XOR |
| | |

Within a priority group, *RedCrab* evaluates functions from left to right. Calculations within a pair of parentheses are evaluated first.

1.12 Variable Overload

You can assign different values to the same variable.

Example: $P = U * I =$
 $P = U^2 / R =$

But an overloaded variable has no defined value and can't be used for further calculations or result boxes.

Overloaded constants can be reused. Example: the constant e is occupied by the *Euler* number $e = 2.7182818$. You can overload this value and use e for further calculations.

Example 1: $x=e=2.7182818$

Example 2: $e=11$
 $X=2e=22$

1.16 Constants

| | |
|-------|--|
| e | Eulerscher Number: 2.7182818284590452... |
| π | PI : 3.1415.... |
| TRUE | 1 |
| FALSE | 0 |
| NIL | undefined |
| IPRE | 360 |

1.13 Data Fields

The following section describes how to work with dynamic data fields. *RedCrab* can manage multi-dimensional fields. Size and dimensions are limited by the resources of the computer only.

The handling of the fields corresponds to the simple variables. That means no special declaration of variables is required. To generate a field, a sequence of numbers is assigned to a variable. The sequence is written in square brackets and separated by commas.

Example: $x = [1, 3, 7, 12]$

The assignment of a series shows the following example. It will be assigned to the variable x 180 indices with the values 1 to 180.

Example: $x = [1..180]$

A series is always expanded in increments of + /- 1. Other step sizes can multiply or divide by the field generated, or in definition of data fields you can optionally specify the increment of a range (example 2).

Example 1: $x = 5[0..4] = 0 \quad 5 \quad 10 \quad 15 \quad 20$

$x = [0..5]/5 = 0 \quad 0.2 \quad 0.4 \quad 0.6 \quad 0.8 \quad 1$

$x = 5/[1..5] = 5 \quad 2.5 \quad 1.67 \quad 1.25 \quad 1$

$x = 2[5..0] = 10 \quad 8 \quad 6 \quad 4 \quad 2 \quad 0$

Example 2: $x = [2..5:0.75] = 2 \quad 2.75 \quad 3.5 \quad 4.25 \quad 5$

Series, individual values and variables can be combined.

Example: $x = [1, 5..8, 12, 15] = 1 \quad 5 \quad 6 \quad 7 \quad 8 \quad 12 \quad 15$

Example: $a = 3$
 $b = 12$
 $x = [1, a..5, b] = 1 \quad 3 \quad 4 \quad 5 \quad 12$

Fields are treated as normal values in calculations and can be combined with all operators and functions. The result is a field as well.

Example: $[2, 4, 7] + 10 = 12 \quad 14 \quad 17 \quad (2+10 \quad 4+10 \quad 7+10)$

Example: $\sin([30, 60, 90]) = 0.5 \quad 0.87 \quad 1$

Example: $[12, 18, 36, 44] \bmod 10 = 2 \quad 8 \quad 6 \quad 4$

Example: $C = 4.6 \cdot 10^{-6}$
 $f = [1200, 1600, 2000, 2600]$

$$X_c = \frac{1}{2\pi fC} = 28.2 \quad 21.2 \quad 16.9 \quad 13$$

The example above shows a list as a result, which contains four different values of f .

Individual components of a field can be accessed via the index.

Example: $x = [11..20]$
 $y = x[1,4,6..8] = 11 \quad 14 \quad 16 \quad 17 \quad 18$

1.14 Multidimensional Fields

To generate multi-line fields, separate each row by semicolon.

Example: $x = [1, 2, 3; 4, 5, 6] = \begin{matrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 4 & 5 & 6 \end{matrix}$

If rows have different length, the missing indexes are filled with zeros.

Example: $x = [1..5; 2, 4, 6; 3..9] = \begin{matrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 5 & 0 & 0 \\ 2 & 4 & 6 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 3 & 4 & 5 & 6 & 7 & 8 & 9 \end{matrix}$

Fields with three rows can be written alternative with a large bracket.

Example: $x = \begin{bmatrix} 1, 2, 3 \\ 4, 5, 6 \\ 7, 8, 9 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{matrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 4 & 5 & 6 \\ 7 & 8 & 9 \end{matrix}$

This standard is generally used in matrix notation, but has no effect on the following calculations. For multiplication of matrices, refer to section below ***Mulx*** function.

By entering the data, as described above, one-and two-dimensional fields are generated. Fields with three or more dimensions can be generated computationally.

1.15 Work with Fields

Two fields can be operands of a mathematical expression when the fields are of the same type. This means they must have the same size and number of dimensions. An exception is different length in the first dimension. The excess of the longer field are ignored.

Example: $a = [2, 3, 4, 5]$
 $b = [10, 11, 12, 13]$
 $c = a + b = 12 \ 14 \ 16 \ 18 \quad (2+10 \ 3+11 \ 4+12 \ 5+13)$

Example: $a = [2, 3, 4, 5]$
 $b = [10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15]$
 $c = a + b = 12 \ 14 \ 16 \ 18$

Excess field length of **b** (14,15) is ignored.

Example: $a = [2..5; 20..23]$
 $b = [10..13; 30..33]$
 $c = a + b = 12 \ 14 \ 16 \ 18$
 $50 \ 52 \ 54 \ 56$

Example: $a = [2..5; 20..23]$
 $b = [10..13; 30..33; 40, 44, 45, 48]$
 $c = a + b = 12 \ 14 \ 16 \ 18$
 $50 \ 52 \ 54 \ 56$

In this example, the third row of **b** is ignored

Example: $a = [2..5; 20..23]$
 $b = [10..13; 30..33; 40, 44, 45, 48]$
 $c = a + b[1, 3] = 12 \ 14 \ 16 \ 18$
 $60 \ 65 \ 67 \ 71$

In this example, **a** from row 1 is added with **b** from row 3

In the examples above, each index of **a** is added with the corresponding index of **b**. Alternatively *RedCrab* can calculate fields in which each index of an field **a** is calculated with each index of the field **b**. The result is a multidimensional field of the size indices **a** times indices **b**.

The empty brackets following *c* declares the result as a multidimensional field and determines the type of the following calculation.

```
Example:  a = [10, 15]
          b = [2..4]
          c[] = a+b =  12 13 14  (10+2 10+3 10+4)
                   17 18 19  (15+2 15+3 15+4)
```

```
Example:  a = [3..6]
          b = [11..15]
          c[] = ab =  33 36 39 42 45
                   44 48 52 56 60
                   55 60 65 70 75
                   66 72 78 84 90
```

The next example shows to multiply a one-dimensional field by a two-dimensional field. The result is a three-dimensional field.

```
Example:  a = [3..6]
          b = [11..15]
          c[] = ab
          d[] = ac =  99 108 117 126 135
                   132 144 156 168 180
                   165 180 195 210 225
                   198 216 234 252 270
```

The display above shows the two-dimensional field of the first level. This is the field that lies behind the first row. Other fields can be accessed via index.

```
Example:  132 144 156 168 180
          d[2] = 176 195 208 224 240
                   220 240 260 280 300
                   264 288 312 336 360
```

The following example shows reading of a single cell from a multi dimensional field. *b* is the value of the cell in the second row and the third column of *a*. The apostrophe is the delimiter.

```
Example: b = a [2'3]
```

1.16 Units of Measurement

A feature of RedCrab Math is the ability to calculate with units of measurement. Any numbers can be allocated to a unit. RedCrab has a number of predefined units, which are allocated in groups.

Units of a group and the same dimension can be added and subtracted. Multiplication and division is unrestricted, as long as a meaningful result is calculated.

Not meaningful is hectares * hectares or if a dimension <1 is to be calculated (3km / 2km). Correct is 3 km / 2 = 1.5 km.

Example:

| | |
|--|--------------------------|
| $3\text{km} + 2\text{km} = 5\text{km}$ | (kilometre + kilometre) |
| $3\text{km} + 245\text{m} = 3245\text{m}$ | (kilometre + metre) |
| $12\text{m} + 5\text{yd} = 18.123\text{yd}$ | (metre + yard) |
| $5\text{yd} + 12\text{m} = 16.572\text{m}$ | (metre + yard) |
| $4\text{m} * 5\text{m} = 20\text{m}^2$ | (metre * metre) |
| $2\text{ha} + 950\text{m}^2 = 20950\text{m}^2$ | (hectare + square metre) |
| $650\text{km} / 5.5\text{h} = 118.18\text{km/h}$ | (kilometre / hour) |

The result is displayed in the unit of measurement of the right operand. In the unit input box on the math menu band, you can input a preferred unit of measurement, which will be shown instead. The preferred unit of measure is ignored if the result is incompatible.

New units can be derived from the predefined units of measurement.

Example: $\text{dm} = 0.1\text{m}$
 $3\text{dm} + 25\text{cm} = 55\text{cm}$

The names of the units can be overloaded by assigning a value to them.

Example: $\text{m} = 15$

In the example above, m is defined as a normal variable which represents a value of 15. In this case the name m cannot be used as a unit of measurement.

1.17 List of Units of Measurement

Group Dimensions

Length

| | | |
|---------------|-------------------|--------------|
| μm | Micrometre | 0.000001 |
| mm | Millimetre | 0.001 |
| cm | Centimetre | 0.01 |
| m | Metre | 1 |
| km | Kilometre | 1000 |
| in | Inches | 0.0254 |
| ft | Feet | 0.3048 |
| yd | Yards | 0.9144 |
| ftm | Fathom | 1.8288 |
| mi | Miles | 1609.344 |
| nmi | Nautical mile | 1852 |
| au | Astronomical unit | 149598550000 |

Area

| | | |
|----|----------|--------------|
| ac | Acres | 4046.8564224 |
| ha | Hectares | 10000 |

Volume

| | | |
|----------|----------------|------------------|
| L | Litre | 0.001 |
| Impgal | ImperialGallon | 0.00454609 |
| USliqgal | USLiquidGallon | 0.003785411784 |
| USdrygal | USDryGallon | 0.00440488377086 |

Group Weight

| | | |
|----|-----------|---------------|
| mg | Milligram | 0.001 |
| g | Gram | 1 |
| kg | Kilogram | 1000 |
| t | Tonne | 1000000 |
| kt | Kilotonne | 1000000000 |
| Mt | Megatonne | 1000000000000 |

| | | |
|-------|-------------|------------------|
| Gt | Gigatonne | 1000000000000000 |
| oz | Ounce | 28.349523 |
| lb | Pound | 453.59237 |
| tnsh | Short tonne | 907184.74 |
| tnlts | Long tonne | 1016046.909 |

Group Temperature

| | | |
|---|--------|---------|
| K | Kelvin | -273.15 |
|---|--------|---------|

Group Pressure

| | | |
|------|------------------------|---------------|
| Bar | Bar | 100000 |
| Pa | Pascal | 1 |
| kPa | Kilopascal | 1000 |
| mmHg | Millimetre of Mercury | 133.322387415 |
| atm | Atmospheres | 101325 |
| psi | Pound Per Square Inch, | 6894.757 |

Group Energie

| | | |
|------|----------------------|------------------------------|
| J | Joules, | 1 |
| kJ | Kilojoules, | 1000 |
| cal | Calories | 4.1868 |
| kcal | Kilocalories | 4186.8 |
| BTU | British thermal unit | 1055.056 |
| eV | Electron Volts | $1.60217653 \times 10^{-19}$ |

Group Power

| | | |
|----|----------------|------------|
| W | Watts | 1 |
| kW | Kilowatts | 1000 |
| hp | Horse Power | 745.699872 |
| PS | Pferde Staerke | 735.49875 |

Group Time

| | | |
|----|-------------|----------------|
| ps | Pico Second | 0.000000000001 |
| ns | Nano Second | 0.000000001 |

| | | |
|---------|--------------|----------|
| μ s | Micro Second | 0.000001 |
| ms | Milli Second | 0.001 |
| s | Second | 1 |
| h | Hour | 3600 |
| d | Day | 86400 |

Groupe Force

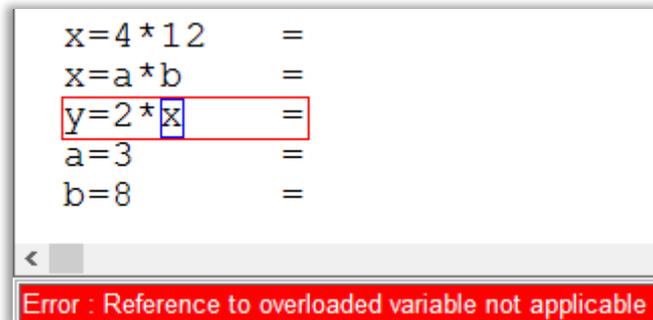
| | | |
|-----|-------------|-----------------|
| N | Newton | 1 |
| lbf | Pound Force | 4.4482216152606 |

1.18 Calculate Selected Formulas

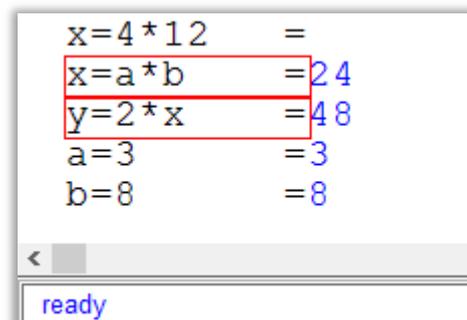
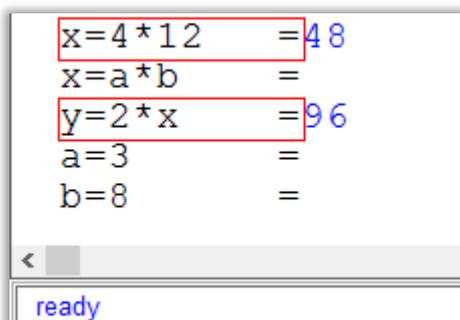
On worksheets which contain a collection of formulas, you can select one or more of them. The following calculation considers the selected formulas only. This can be useful when a worksheet contains different formulas for the same result.

Select the formulas with a click of the right mouse button. The selected formulas are marked with a red frame.

The example on the right shows an error message because the reference variable x has two different definitions.



In the examples below, the variable y is calculated with one of the values of x , controlled by the selection.



The selection is available for the imminent calculation and will be reset when the calculation terminates.

Result boxes work with selected formulas as well. When in the example above the variable x has a reference to a result box, the result box displays the result of the selected formula.

When a slider is inserted in the worksheet, the slider works only imminently after a calculation which was executed with the **Enter** key or button. After a change on the worksheet, the selection is invalid.

Tutor video: http://www.redchillicrab.com/en/redcrab/tutor/selected_range.html

1.19 Define a Function

In **RedCrab** you can define your own functions. The function definition begins with the name on the left, like a definition of a variable. The function symbol and the formal parameter list are in the middle, and the expression is on the right. To get the function symbol, press the keys **Ctrl + 5**.

Example:

$$P = f(x, y) = \sqrt{x^2 + y^2}$$

The example below shows how to call a function that returns the result of an expression. A call of a self-defined function must be marked with the function symbol left of the function name.

$$P = f(x, y) = \sqrt{x^2 + y^2}$$

$$fP(3, 4) = 5$$

$$fP(a, b) = 10$$

$$a = 6 \quad b = 8$$

The arguments can be values, variable names, another function or any expressions.

$$P = f(x, y) = \sqrt{x^2 + y^2}$$
$$f\left(\frac{144}{a*4}, f(t(4))\right) = 10$$
$$a=6 \quad t=f(x) = 2*x$$

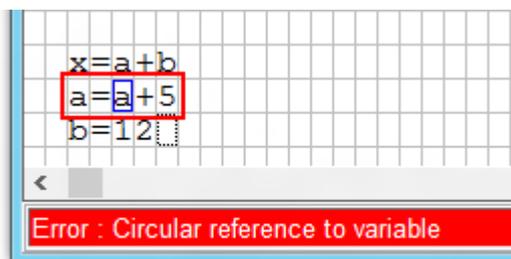
1.20 Scope of Function Parameters

The variables, defined as formal parameter, have own scope inside the function. They can be referenced in the function only and not outside their function. It is allowed and makes no difference, if the same names in the argument list are defined and used elsewhere in the worksheet.

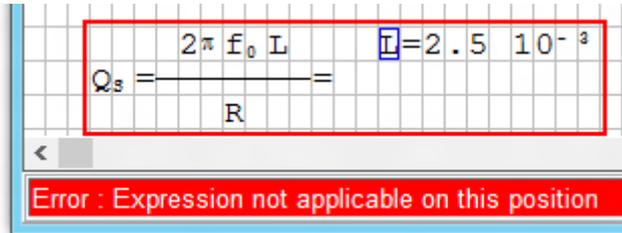
Inside the function you can use in addition to the parameter all other variables, which are defined elsewhere in the worksheet.

1.22 Error Messages

For error location RedCrab marks the cell in where an error is detected with a blue frame. It also marks the incorrect formula with a red frame.



The marking of the entire formula simplifies the localization of errors that cause a false positioning. In the example below, an invalid assignment is signaled. The red selected box indicates, however, that two formulas were joined because the distance is too close. In this example the adjustment of the distance (column space) is 4 columns; the distance between the formulas is only 2 columns.



1.23 Programming

RedCrab supports programming of functions with its own program language.

Worksheet formulas have access to all functions of *RedCrab* programs. From *RedCrab* program, you can call all functions in other *RedCrab* program modules.

The command language is easy to learn, especially for users without programming experience. The syntax of the interpreter is an extension of the worksheets syntax. That means, all the mathematical functions of the worksheet are also available. Likewise, the definition of variables and data fields is identical with the worksheet.

In addition, the editor contains commands for programming functions, conditional branching (*If*, *Elseif*, *Else*) and loops (*While*). For more information about programming read the separate programmer manual.

2.0 Functions and Operators

The following section describes the RedCrab Math functions and text operators. All the functions can be entered per mouse click on the function panel or via the keyboard. The function panel includes tool tips with short description and examples for all functions.

The panel's button size can be changing with the mouse wheel.

2.1 Standard Functions

Abs *Abs* returns the absolute value of numbers and fields.

Example: $x = \text{Abs}(y)$

$$X = \text{abs}(4.56) = 4.56$$

$$X = \text{abs}(-4.56) = 4.56$$

Ceil Returns the smallest integer that is not less than the argument.

Example: $\text{ceil}(-2.3) = -1$

$$\text{ceil}(2.5) = 3$$

DTime The function *DTime* returns the *DateTime* value of the given year, month, day, hour, minute and second. The argument must be a data field that includes six cells which contains the value of year, month, day, hour, minute and second.

The year must be between 1 and 9999.

Valid Month values are 1 through 12.

Valid Hour values are 0 through 23.

Valid Min and Sec values are 0 through 59.

Valid Day values are 1 through 28, 29, 30, or 31, depending on the Month value. For example, the possible Day values for month 2

(February) are 1 through 28 or 1 through 29, depending on whether or not the Year value specifies a leap year.

Example: `d = dtime([Y, M, D, h, m, s])`

A call of *DTime* with the argument *0* returns the current date and time.

Example: `current = dtime(0)`

DTimef The function *DTimef* returns a data field that includes six cells which contains the value of year, month, day, hour, minute and second of the arguments *DateTime* value.

Example `dtimef(d) = 2012 4 12 14 27 18`

Floor Returns the largest integer that is not greater than the argument.

Example: `floor(-2.3) = -3`
`floor(2.5) = 2`

Frac *Frac* returns the fractional part of an argument.

Example: `x = frac(y)`
`X = frac(4.67) = 0.67`

Int *Int* returns the integer part of a value; that is, the value rounded toward zero.

Example: `x = int(y)`
`X = int(4.67) = 4`

Rnd *Rnd* returns a random integer number within the range $0 \leq X \leq$ Range.

Example: `x = rnd(y)`

Round *Round* returns a value rounded to the nearest whole number.

Example: `x = Round (y)`

`round (2.6) = 3`

`round (3.5) = 4`

`round (2.5) = 2`

If *y* is exactly halfway between two whole numbers, the result is always the even number. This method of rounding is often called "Banker's rounding".

Sign Returns a value indicating the sign of a number.

1: value is greater than zero.

0: value is equal to zero.

-1: value is less than zero.

Sqr The *Sqr* function returns the square of the argument.

Example: `sqr (4) = 16`

Sqrt The result of *Sqrt* is the square root of the argument.

Example: `sqrt (4) = 2`

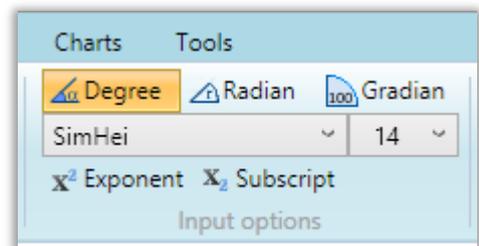
URnd *URnd* fills a field with a series of random numbers between 0 and the highest argument of the field. In contrast to ***Rnd***, which also can be used for fields, ***URnd*** returns a set of unique numbers.

Example: `a = urnd([1..5, 45])`
`B = urnd([44..45])`

Both examples return a list of six different numbers between one and 45.

2.2 Scientific Functions

The buttons ***Degree***, ***Radian*** and ***Gradian*** in the group ***Input options*** on the ***Math*** menu ribbon determine whether the parameters of trigonometric functions be specified in degrees, radian or grads.



ACos inverse cosine

ASin inverse sine

ATan inverse tangent

Cos cosine

Cosh hyperbolic cosine

Cot cotangent

Deg converts radian in degrees

Exp exponent to Euler's constant: 2.7182818284590452...

Ln natural logarithms to base e (2.7182818284590452...)

Log logarithms base 10

| | |
|---------------------|----------------------------|
| <i>Log2</i> | logarithms base 2 |
| <i>Log8</i> | logarithms base 8 |
| <i>Log16</i> | logarithms base 16 |
| <i>Rad</i> | convert degrees in radians |
| <i>Sin</i> | sine |
| <i>Sinh</i> | hyperbolic sine |
| <i>Tan</i> | tangent |
| <i>Tanh</i> | hyperbolic tangent |

Alternated notations (enter only with keyboard)

| | |
|---------------------|-----------------------------------|
| <i>Ld</i> | logarithms base 2 (equal to log2) |
| <i>Lg</i> | logarithms base 10 (equal to log) |
| <i>Log10</i> | logarithms base 10 (equal to log) |

2.3 Programmer Functions and Operators

And The logical ***And*** operator performs bitwise AND manipulation on integer operands

Example: $Z = X \text{ and } Y$

Div

The ***Div*** operator returns the result of an integer number division without remainder. If floating point numbers are entered, the ***Div*** operator cuts off all digits after the decimal point before executing the division ***Div***.

Example: $11 \text{ div } 3 = 3$
 $11.2 \text{ div } 3.9 = 3$

Excl

clears the bit from the first argument, which is determined in the second argument.

Example: $Z = \text{excl}(X, Y)$

In the example above ***Excl*** clears the bit number ***Y*** in argument ***X***

Example: $\text{excl}(15, 4) = 7$

Incl

sets the bit from the first argument, which is determined in the second argument.

Example: $Z = \text{incl}(X, Y)$

In the example above ***Incl*** sets the bit number ***Y*** in argument ***X***

Example: $\text{incl}(8, 3) = 12$

Mod

The ***Mod*** operator returns the remainder of the division of two integer numbers. If floating point numbers are entered, the ***Mod*** operator cuts off all digits after the decimal point before executing the division ***Mod***.

Example: $11 \text{ mod } 3 = 2$
 $11.7 \text{ mod } 3.9 = 2$

Not The logical ***Not*** function performs bitwise negation on integer operands.

Example: $Z = \text{not}(X)$

Or The logical ***Or*** operator performs bitwise OR manipulation on integer operands.

Example: $Z = X \text{ or } Y$

Shl performs an arithmetic left shift on a bit pattern. The value of ***Y*** is interpreted modulo 32. Thus for example, if ***X*** is 40, ***X*** is interpreted as **8**.

Examples: $Z = \text{shl}(X, Y)$
 $\text{shl}(9, 2) = 36$

Shr performs an arithmetic right shift on a bit pattern. The value of ***Y*** is interpreted modulo 32. Thus for example, if ***X*** is 40, ***X*** is interpreted as **8**.

Examples: $Z = \text{shr}(X, Y)$
 $\text{shr}(8, 2) = 2$

Xor The logical ***Xor*** operator performs bitwise XOR manipulation on integer operands.

Exemple: $Z = X \text{ xor } Y$

2.4 Data Fields Functions

Aver The function ***Aver*** returns the mean values of successive elements of fields. The result is always one element smaller than the original field.

Example: $a = [1..5]^2 = 1\ 4\ 9\ 16\ 25$
 $b = \text{aver}(a) = 2.5\ 6.5\ 12.5\ 20.5$

Cols The function ***Cols*** returns the number of columns of a two dimensional data field.

Example: $x = [1..4; 12..15]$
 $c = \text{cols}(x) = 4$

Count Return the number of elements of one- or multidimensional fields.

Example: $z = \text{count}(x)$
 $x = [9, 7, 2, 8, 12, 3, 5]$
 $\text{count}(x) = 7$

Diff Calculates the difference values of successive of a set of numbers

Example: $\text{diff}([2, 5, 9, 11]) = 3\ 4\ 2$

Dim returns the number of dimensions of a multi dimensional data field.

Example: $X = [1..4; 12..15]$
 $\text{dim}(x) = 2$

Fill fills the data field of the first argument with the value of the second argument.

Example: `x = fill([1..5], 8) = 8 8 8 8 8`

Join connects 2 one or two-dimensional fields with each other.

Example: `a = [1..5] = 1 2 3 4 5`
`b = [6..10] = 6 7 8 9 10`
`c = join(a, b) = 1 2 3 4 5`
`6 7 8 9 10`

If the fields are different lengths, the shorter field is filled with zeros.

`x = [11..18] = 11 12 13 14 15 16 17`
`d = join(x, c) = 11 12 13 14 15 16 17`
`1 2 3 4 5 0 0`
`6 7 8 9 10 0 0`

Maxi returns the greatest value of the argument list.

Example: `z = maxi(x)`
`X = [9, 7, 2, 8, 12, 3, 5]`
`maxi(x) = 12`

Mini returns the smallest value of the argument list.

Example: `z = mini(x)`
`X = [9, 7, 2, 8, 12, 3, 5]`
`mini(x) = 2`

Patt fills the data field of the first argument with the pattern of the second argument.

Example:

`x = patt([1..10], [1,1,2])=1 1 2 1 1 2 1 1 2 1`

Rows returns the number of rows of a two dimensional data field.

Example: `x = [1..4; 12..15]`
`r = rows(x) = 2`

2.5 Matrix Functions

Det returns the determinant of a 2x2 or 3x3 matrixes. More information of determinants can be found at:

Example: `d = det(A)`

Invx inverse a 2x2 or 3x3 matrix. If the matrix is not invertible, **RedCrab** displayed an error message.

Example: `A1 = invx(A)`

Mulx **Mulx** is an operator for multiplication of matrices. Multiplication of two matrices with **Mulx** is possible only if the number of columns of the left matrix is the same as the number of rows of the right matrix.

Example: $x = \begin{bmatrix} 1, 2, 3 \\ 4, 5, 6 \\ 7, 8, 9 \end{bmatrix} \text{ mulx } \begin{bmatrix} 2, 4 \\ 3, 5 \\ 6, 8 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 26 & 38 \\ 59 & 89 \\ 92 & 140 \end{bmatrix}$

The result is a matrix whose entries are given by dot product of the corresponding row of the left operand and the corresponding column of the right operand:

$$\begin{array}{ll} (1*2 + 2*3 + 3*6) & (1*4 + 2*5 + 3*8) \\ (4*2 + 5*3 + 6*6) & (4*4 + 5*5 + 6*8) \\ (7*2 + 8*3 + 9*6) & (7*4 + 8*5 + 9*8) \end{array}$$

Trans producing the transpose of a matrix A^T , which is computed by swapping columns for rows in the matrix X .

Example:
$$x = \begin{bmatrix} 1, 2, 3 \\ 4, 5, 6 \\ 7, 8, 9 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\text{trans}(x) = \begin{array}{ccc} 1 & 4 & 7 \\ 2 & 5 & 8 \\ 3 & 6 & 9 \end{array}$$

2.6 Statistics Functions

CuSum returns the calculation of a cumulative sum of one-dimensional fields.

Example:
$$z = \text{cusum}(x)$$

$$\text{cusum}([2, 4, 7, 3, 9]) = -3 \ -4 \ -2 \ -4 \ 0$$

DSort sorts field elements from high to low values (sort descending). Complex fields are sorted based on first row values. For *sort ascending* see ***Sort*** below.

Example:
$$z = \text{dsort}(x)$$

LQuart returns the value of the first quartile (lower quartile) of a sorted list. In the following example in a field of 10 elements, the position of the first quartile is $(10 \times \frac{1}{4}) = 2.5$, rounded up to 3.

Example:

```
lquart([3,6,7,8,8,10,13,15,16,20]) = 7
```

See ***UQuart*** and ***QRan*** below.

Mean returns the mean value of fields. In multidimensional fields the result is the mean of all elements.

Example: `z = mean(x)`

Median returns the median value of fields. In multidimensional fields the result is the median of all elements.

Example: `z = median(x)`

Prod returns the product of all elements of fields.

Example: `z=prod(x)`
`X = [9,7,2,8,12,3,5]`
`prod(x) = 181440`

QRan results the area from the first to 3rd quartiles of a sorted list. The following example shows the result of a field with 10 elements.

Example:

```
qran([3,6,7,8,8,10,13,15,16,20])=7 8 8 10 13 15
```

Sort sorts field elements from low to high values (sort ascending). Complex fields are sorted based on first row values.

For *sort descending* see ***DSort*** above.

Example: `z = sort(x)`

SStDev returns the standard deviation of values in one-dimensional fields. Use ***SStDev*** if the field contains sample data. If the field contains all evaluated data, see ***StDev*** below.

Example: `z = sstdev(x)`

StDev returns the standard deviation of values in one-dimensional fields. Use ***StDev*** if the field contains all evaluated data. If the field contains samples, see ***SStDev*** above.

Example: `z = stdev(x)`

Sum returns the sum of the elements in fields. The function can be called by the Greek letter Σ .

Example: `z = sum(x)`
`X = [9, 7, 2, 8, 12, 3, 5]`
`sum(x) = 46`

SVari returns the variance of values in one-dimensional fields. Use ***SVari*** if the field contains sample data. If the field contains all evaluated data, see ***Vari*** below.

Example: `z = svari(x)`

UQuart returns the value of the third quartile (upper quartile) of a sorted list. In the following example, in a field of 10 elements the position of the third quartile is $(10 \times \frac{3}{4}) = 7.5$, rounded up to 8.

Example: `UQuart([3, 6, 7, 8, 8, 10, 13, 15, 16, 20])=15`

See `Lquart` and `QRan` above.

Vari returns the variance of values in one-dimensional fields. Use ***Vari*** if the field contains all evaluated data. For samples see ***SVari*** above.

Example: `z = vari(x)`

2.7 Financial Functions

FDDB returns a value specifying the depreciation of an asset for a specific time period using the double-declining balance method or some other method you specify.

Syntax: `fddb (Cost, Salvage, Life, Period)`

Optional: `fddb (Cost, Salvage, Life, Period, Factor)`

Parameter:

Cost specifying initial cost of the asset.

Salvage specifying value of the asset at the end of its useful life.

Life specifying length of useful life of the asset.

Period specifying period for which asset depreciation is calculated.

Factor specifying rate at which the balance declines. If omitted, 2 (double-declining method) is assumed.

FFV returns the future value of an annuity based on periodic, fixed payments and a fixed interest rate.

Syntax: `ffv (Rate, NPer, Pmt)`

Optional: `ffv (Rate, NPer, Pmt, PV)`
 `ffv (Rate, NPer, Pmt, PV, Due)`

Parameters:

Rate is the interest rate per period. For example, if you get an annual percentage rate (APR) of 6 percent and make monthly payments, the rate per period is 6/12, or 0.5.

NPer specifies the total number of payment periods in the annuity. For example, if you make monthly payments, you have a total of 4×12 (or 48) payment periods.

Pmt specifying payment to be made each period. Payments usually contain principal and interest that doesn't change over the life of the annuity.

PV optional specifying present value (start value) of a series of future payments. If omitted, 0 is assumed.

Due optional specifying when payments are due. This argument must be either 0, if payments are due at the end of the payment period, or 1, if payments are due at the beginning of the period. If omitted, 0 assumed.

FIPmt specifying the interest payment for a given period of an annuity based on periodic fixed payments and a fixed interest rate.

Syntax: `fipmt (Rate, Per, NPer, PV,)`

Optional: `fipmt (Rate, Per, NPer, PV, FV)`
 `fipmt (Rate, Per, NPer, PV, FV, Due)`

Parameters:

Rate is the interest rate per period. For example, if you get a car loan at an annual percentage rate (APR) of 6 percent and make monthly payments, the rate per period is $6/12$, or 0.5.

Per specifies the payment period in the range 1 through NPer.

NPer specifies the total number of payment periods in the annuity. For example, if you make monthly payments on a four-year car loan, your loan has a total of 4×12 (or 48) payment periods.

PV is the present value (or lump sum). For example, when you borrow money to buy a car, the loan amount is the present value.

FV optional specifying future value or cash balance you want after you have made the final payment. For example, the future value of a loan is \$0 because that is its value after the final payment. However, if you want to save \$50,000 during 18 years for your child's education, then \$50,000 is the future value. If omitted, 0 is assumed.

Due optional specifies when payments are due. This argument must be either 0, if payments are due at the end of the payment period, or 1, if payments are due at the beginning of the period. If omitted, 0 assumed

FIRR returns the internal rate of return for a series of periodic cash flows (payments and receipts).

Syntax: `firr (ValueArray)`

Optional: `firr (ValueArray, Guess)`

Parameter:

ValueArray is an array of cash flow values. The array must contain at least one negative value (a payment) and one positive value (a receipt).

Guess optional specifying value you estimate will be returned by FIRR. If omitted, Guess is 10 percent

FMIRR returns the modified internal rate of return for a series of periodic cash flows (payments and receipts).

Syntax: fmirr (ValueArray, FinanceRate, ReinvestRate)

Parameter:

ValueArray is an array of cash flow values. The array must contain at least one negative value (a payment) and one positive value (a receipt).

FinanceRate specifying interest rate paid as the cost of financing.

ReinvestRate specifying interest rate received on gains from cash reinvestment

FNPer returns the number of periods for an annuity based on periodic fixed payments and a fixed interest rate.

Syntax: fnper (Rate, Pmt, PV)

Optional: fnper (Rate, Pmt, PV, FV)
fnper (Rate, Pmt, PV, FV, Due)

Parameters:

Rate is the interest rate per period. For example, if you get a car loan at an annual percentage rate (APR) of 6 percent and make monthly payments, the rate per period is 6/12, or 0.5.

Pmt specifying payment to be made each period. Payments usually contain principal and interest that does not change over the life of the annuity.

PV is the present value (or lump sum). For example, when you borrow money to buy a car, the loan amount is the present value.

FV optional specifying future value or cash balance you want after you have made the final payment. For example, the future value of a loan is \$0 because that is its value after the final payment. However, if you want to save \$50,000 during 18 years for your child's education, then \$50,000 is the future value. If omitted, 0 is assumed.

Due optional specifies when payments are due. This argument must be either 0, if payments are due at the end of the payment period, or 1, if payments are due at the beginning of the period. If omitted, 0 assumed

FNPV returns the net present value of an investment based on a series of periodic cash flows (payments and receipts) and a discount rate.

Syntax: `fnpv (Rate, ValueArray)`

Parameter:

Rate the discount rate over the length of the period.

ValueArray is an array of specifying cash flow values. The array must contain at least one negative value (a payment) and one positive value (a receipt)

FPmt specifying the payment for an annuity based on periodic, fixed payments and a fixed interest rate.

Syntax: `fpmt (Rate, NPer, PV)`

Optional: `fpmt (Rate, NPer, PV, FV)`
`fpmt (Rate, NPer, PV, FV, Due)`

Parameters:

Rate is the interest rate per period. For example, if you get a car loan at an annual percentage rate (APR) of 6 percent and make monthly payments, the rate per period is $6/12$, or 0.5.

NPer specifies the total number of payment periods in the annuity. For example, if you make monthly payments on a four-year car loan, your loan has a total of 4×12 (or 48) payment periods

PV specifies the present value (or lump sum). For example, when you borrow money to buy a car, the loan amount is the present value

FV optional specifying future value or cash balance after final payment is made. For example, the future value of a loan is \$0 because that is its value after the final payment. However, if you want to save \$50,000 during 18 years for your child's education, then \$50,000 is the future value. If omitted, 0 is assumed.

Due optional specifies when payments are due. This argument must be either 0, if payments are due at the end of the payment period, or 1, if payments are due at the beginning of the period. If omitted, 0 assumed.

FPPmt specifying the principal payment for a given period of an annuity based on periodic fixed payments and a fixed interest rate.

Syntax: `fppmt (Rate, Per, NPer, PV,)`

Optional: `fppmt (Rate, Per, NPer, PV, FV)`
`fppmt (Rate, Per, NPer, PV, FV, Due)`

Parameters:

Rate is the interest rate per period. For example, if you get a car loan at an annual percentage rate (APR) of 6 percent and make monthly payments, the rate per period is $6/12$, or 0.5

Per specifies the payment period in the range 1 through ***NPer***.

NPer specifies the total number of payment periods in the annuity. For example, if you make monthly payments on a four-year car loan, your loan has a total of 4×12 (or 48) payment periods.

PV is the present value (or lump sum). For example, when you borrow money to buy a car, the loan amount is the present value.

FV optional specifying future value or cash balance you want after you have made the final payment. For example, the future value of a loan is \$0 because that is its value after the final payment. However, if you want to save \$50,000 during 18 years for your child's education, then \$50,000 is the future value. If omitted, 0 is assumed.

Due optional specifies when payments are due. This argument must be either 0, if payments are due at the end of the payment period, or 1, if payments are due at the beginning of the period. If omitted, 0 assumed.

FPV returns the present value of an annuity based on periodic, fixed payments to be paid in the future and a fixed interest rate.

Syntax: `fpv (Rate, NPer, Pmt)`

Optional: `fpv (Rate, NPer, Pmt, FV)`
 `fpv (Rate, NPer, Pmt, FV, Due)`

Parameters:

Rate is the interest rate per period. For example, if you get a car loan at an annual percentage rate (APR) of 6 percent and make monthly payments, the rate per period is $6/12$, or 0.5.

NPer specifies the total number of payment periods in the annuity. For example, if you make monthly payments on a four-year car loan, your loan has a total of 4×12 (or 48) payment periods.

Pmt specifying payment to be made each period. Payments usually contain principal and interest that does not change over the life of the annuity.

FV optional specifying future value or cash balance you want after you have made the final payment. For example, the future value of a loan is \$0 because that is its value after the final payment. However, if you want to save \$50,000 during 18 years for your child's education, then \$50,000 is the future value. If omitted, 0 is assumed.

Due optional specifies when payments are due. This argument must be either 0, if payments are due at the end of the payment period, or 1, if payments are due at the beginning of the period. If omitted, 0 assumed

FRate returns the interest rate per period for an annuity.

Syntax: frate (NPer, Pmt, PV)

Optional: frate (NPer, Pmt, PV, FV)
 frate (NPer, Pmt, PV, FV, Due)
 frate (NPer, Pmt, PV, FV, Due, Guess)

Parameters:

NPer specifies the total number of payment periods in the annuity. For example, if you make monthly payments on a four-year car loan, your loan has a total of 4×12 (or 48) payment periods.

Pmt specifying payment to be made each period. Payments usually contain principal and interest that does not change over the life of the annuity.

PV is the present value (or lump sum). For example, when you borrow money to buy a car, the loan amount is the present value.

FV optional specifying future value or cash balance you want after you have made the final payment. For example, the future value of a loan is \$0 because that is its value after the final payment. However, if you want to save \$50,000 during 18 years for your child's education, then \$50,000 is the future value. If omitted, 0 is assumed.

Due optional specifies when payments are due. This argument must be either 0, if payments are due at the end of the payment period, or 1, if payments are due at the beginning of the period. If omitted, 0 assumed.

Guess optional specifying value you estimate will be returned by IRR. If omitted, Guess is 10 percent

FSLN returns a value specifying the depreciation of an asset for a specific time period using the double-declining balance method or some other method you specify.

Syntax: fsln (Cost, Salvage, Life, Period)

Parameter:

Cost Specifying initial cost of the asset.

Salvage Specifying value of the asset at the end of its useful life.

Life Specifying length of useful life of the asset

FSYD returns the sum-of-years digits depreciation of an asset for a specified period.

Syntax: fsyd (Cost, Salvage, Life, Period)

Parameter:

Cost specifying initial cost of the asset.

Salvage specifying value of the asset at the end of its useful life.

Life specifying length of useful life of the asset.

Period specifying period for which asset depreciation is calculated.

3.0 Keyboard

The keyboard inputs in the following description correspond to the English keyboard and Windows regional and language option English-US. When using a non-English keyboard or language, some functions are acquired with other key combinations. This concern most of the **Ctrl** key functions. In the attachment of this manual you will find pictures about key codes of different keyboards. Read the description below about keyboard configurations.

You can type in letter of the alternative font by pressing the **Ctrl** key. Example: press **Ctrl+P** to write the character π or **Ctrl+L** to write the letter λ .

| | |
|------------------|--|
| Enter | Exit escape mode |
| | Exit Superscript |
| | Exit Subscript |
| | Moves the cursor from end of the fraction bar to numerators first column. |
| | Moves the cursor from numerator to denominators first column. |
| | Moves the cursor from denominator to end of fraction bar. |
| Enter + Ctrl | Start calculation and display results. |
| Enter + Shift | Line feed- return : move the cursor to the first used column in the next row |
| Ctrl + , | |
| Ctrl + _ | Toggle on / off Subscript |
| Ctrl + Shift + , | |
| Ctrl + 6 | Toggle on / off Superscript (exponent) |
| Ctrl + 9 | large round bracket open |
| Ctrl + 0 | large round bracket close |
| Ctrl + [| large square bracket open |
| Ctrl +] | large square bracket close |
| Ctrl + Shift + { | large curly bracket open |
| Ctrl + Shift + } | large curly bracket close |
| Ctrl + / | fraction line |
| Ctrl + 1 | root |
| Ctrl + 2 | Exponent 2 |

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|------------------|---|
| Ctrl + 3 | Exponent 3 |
| Ctrl + 4 | Integral Formula |
| Ctrl + Shift + 4 | Integral Symbol |
| Ctrl + 5 | Function Symbol |
| Insert | Insert a column at cursor position |
| Insert + Shift | Insert a row at cursor position |
| Delete | Delete a column at cursor position |
| Delete + Shift | Delete a row at cursor position |
| Ctrl + Csr left | Reduce box size, deletes the column at the right edge |
| Ctrl + Csr right | Reduce box size, deletes the column at the left edge |
| Ctrl + Csr up | Reduce box size; deletes the row at the bottom edge. |
| Ctrl+Csr down | Reduce box size, deletes the row at the top edge. |
| F2 | Marked/Unmarked the selected range or cursor position as remark |
| F3 | Enable or disable Superscript mode. |
| F4 | Enable or disable Subscript mode. |
| F6 | Clear all |
| F7 | Clear the output of the calculator |
| F8 | Starts the calculator |

| | | Shift | Additional functions |
|----------|---------------|----------|--------------------------------|
| Ctrl + A | α | A | Alpha |
| Ctrl + B | β | B | Beta |
| Ctrl + C | χ | X | Chi Copied the selected area * |
| Ctrl + D | δ | Δ | Delta |
| Ctrl + E | ε | E | Epsilon |
| Ctrl + F | ϕ | Φ | Phi |
| Ctrl + G | γ | Γ | Gamma |
| Ctrl + H | η | H | Eta |
| Ctrl + I | ι | I | Iota |
| Ctrl + J | φ | | Phi (alt.) |

| | | | |
|----------|---|---|---|
| Ctrl + J | | ϑ | Theta (alt.) |
| Ctrl + K | κ | Κ | Kappa |
| Ctrl + L | λ | Λ | Lambda |
| Ctrl + M | μ | Μ | Mu |
| Ctrl + N | ν | Ν | Nu |
| Ctrl + O | ο | Ο | Omicron |
| Ctrl + P | π | Π | Pi |
| Ctrl + Q | θ | Θ | Theta |
| Ctrl + R | ρ | Ρ | Rho |
| Ctrl + S | σ | Σ | Sigma |
| Ctrl + T | τ | Τ | Tau |
| Ctrl + U | υ | Υ | Upsilon |
| Ctrl + V | ϖ | | Pi (alt.) Insert text from clipboard ** |
| Ctrl + V | | ς | Sigma (alt.) |
| Ctrl + W | ω | Ω | Omega |
| Ctrl + X | ξ | Ξ | Xi Cut and copies the selected area * |
| Ctrl + Y | ψ | Ψ | Psi |
| Ctrl + Z | ζ | Ζ | Zeta |

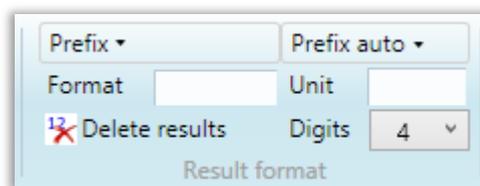
Decimal key The decimal key on the numeric keypad produces a decimal point always, regardless of the country setting.

*) **Ctrl + C** copies the selected area to clipboard. **Ctrl + X** cuts the selected area and copies it to the clipboard. If no area is selected, the corresponding Greek letter is written.

***) **Ctrl + V** writes the text from the clipboard to the cursor position if, immediately before a text with **Ctrl + C / X** was copied, otherwise the corresponding Greek letter is written.

4.0 Result Formatting

The group **Result format** on the Math menu ribbon contains the settings for the result format. The result format is set for each math box separately.



4.1 Result Mode

The first menu button on the top row sets the display format. You can choose between fix point, floating point, scientific exponent, technical exponent, prefix, hexadecimal, octal, binary or date time.

4.2 Result Mode Prefix

In **Prefix** mode the math boxes used SI prefixes instead of exponents. For example, an electrical current of 0.001ampere, or 10^{-3} of an ampere, is written by using the SI-prefix **m** (mill) as 1 mill ampere or 1mA. The SI prefixes are standardized by the International Bureau of Weights and Measures (IBWM). The list below shows the prefixes which RedCrab used.

| | Prefix | | Decimal | Short scale | Long scale |
|---|---------------|-----------|-----------------------------------|--------------------|-------------------|
| Y | yotta | 10^{24} | 1.000.000.000.000.000.000.000.000 | Septillion | Quadrillion |
| Z | zetta | 10^{21} | 1.000.000.000.000.000.000.000.000 | Sextillion | Trilliard |
| E | exa | 10^{18} | 1.000.000.000.000.000.000.000.000 | Quintillion | Trillion |
| P | peta | 10^{15} | 1.000.000.000.000.000.000.000.000 | Quadrillion | Billiard |
| T | tera | 10^{12} | 1.000.000.000.000.000.000.000.000 | Trillion | Billion |
| G | giga | 10^9 | 1.000.000.000.000.000.000.000.000 | Billion | Milliard |
| M | mega | 10^6 | 1.000.000.000.000.000.000.000.000 | Million | |
| k | kilo | 10^3 | 1000 | Thousand | |
| h | hecto | 10^2 | 100 | Hundred | |
| - | - | - | 1 | One | |
| d | deci | 10^{-1} | 0,1 | Tenth | |

| | | | | | |
|-------|-------|------------|-----------------------------------|---------------|---------------|
| c | centi | 10^{-2} | 0,01 | Hundredth | |
| m | milli | 10^{-3} | 0,001 | Thousandth | |
| μ | micro | 10^{-6} | 0,000.001 | Millionth | |
| n | nano | 10^{-9} | 0,000.000.001 | Billionth | Milliardth |
| p | pico | 10^{-12} | 0,000.000.000.001 | Trillionth | Billionth |
| f | femto | 10^{-15} | 0,000.000.000.000.001 | Quadrillionth | Billiardth |
| a | atto | 10^{-18} | 0,000.000.000.000.000.001 | Quintillionth | Trillionth |
| z | zepto | 10^{-21} | 0,000.000.000.000.000.000.001 | Sextillionth | Trilliardth |
| y | yocto | 10^{-24} | 0,000.000.000.000.000.000.000.001 | Septillionth | Quadrillionth |

4.3 Specification of a Prefix

If the result of an expression is the distance between two points, the control symbols, #m' displays the result in meters (m).

Examples:

| | |
|-----------------|-----------------|
| Result: 365 | Display: 365m |
| Result: 3600 | Display: 3.6km |
| Result: 3650000 | Display: 3.65Gm |

The displayed result: 3.65Gm (Giga meter) is correct, but unusual. Therefore, in **RedCrab Math** you can preset certain prefixes with the **Prefix** menu. For example, if you choose the prefix k (kilo) the result is displayed as below.

Examples:

| | |
|-----------------|------------------|
| Result: 365 | Display: 0.365km |
| Result: 3600 | Display: 3.6km |
| Result: 3650000 | Display: 3650km |

RedCrab Math also has the option to select a group of prefixes or to determine an upper or lower limit. To do this, press the **Ctrl** key and select the lower limit in the **Prefix** menu. Then hold the **Ctrl** key and select the upper limit in the **Prefix** menu. The example below shows results with the limits m (mill) and k (kilo).

Example:

| | |
|------------------|-------------------|
| Result: 3650000 | Display: 3650 km |
| Result: 36500 | Display: 36.5 km |
| Result: 365 | Display: 365 m |
| Result: 3.65 | Display: 3.65 m |
| Result: 0.0365 | Display: 36.5 mm |
| Result: 0.000365 | Display: 0.365 mm |

4.4 Format Result

You can input additional text to the result in the *Format* editor row. (Example: #A). The Pound (#) is the replacement character for the result, the A stand for the measure unit Ampere. The box shows the result: 123A.

The additional text can stand before or after the pound symbol. The table below shows examples with prefixes.

Example:

| Result | Format text | Result format |
|--------|-------------|---------------|
| 0.012 | | 12m |
| 0.012 | #A | 12mA |
| 0.012 | Strom: # A | Strom: 12 mA |
| 125 | US\$ # | US\$ 125 |

4.5 Display of Units of Measurement

If you use units of measurement in your calculation, the result is displayed in the unit that was entered on the right in the expression.

Example:

$$2\text{km} + 2\text{mi} = 3.24\text{mi}$$
$$2\text{mi} + 2\text{km} = 5.22\text{km}$$

In the editor line *Unit* you can specify a different unit of measurement that is always displayed when this unit is compatible with the result. The specification is ignored by incompatible results.

4.6 Number of Decimal Places

The combo box *digit* determines the number of decimal places to display. In fixed-point mode the combo box sets the number of decimal places to the right of the point. When floating point values are displayed, the setting determines the number of digits without exponents.

4.7 Menu Group Math Result Tables

Results are displayed right of the equal sign. If there is not enough space, the math box will automatically enlarge.

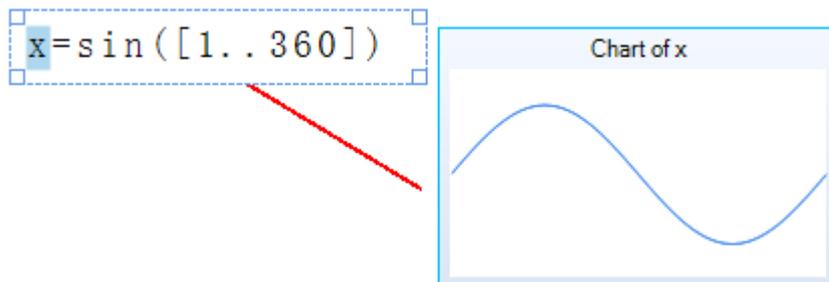
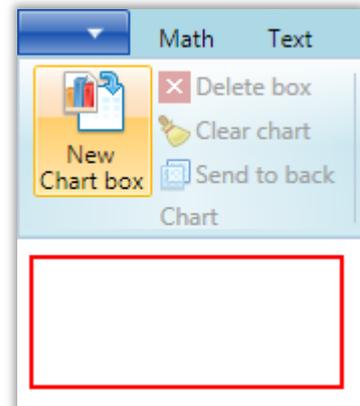
To avoid an oversized magnifying of the math box for large tables, you can display the table in a separate box. To do so, click the check box *Result box*.

For very large tables, you might want to display the data in a separate window. Put the cursor on the variable that you want to appear and click on *New frame*. An equal sign behind the formula is not needed here.

5.0 Display Results Graphically with Charts

RedCrab provides chart boxes to display results graphically. To open a chart box, select a range on the worksheet with the mouse pointer and click the *New Chart box* button. Later you can change the size and the position of the box with the mouse pointer.

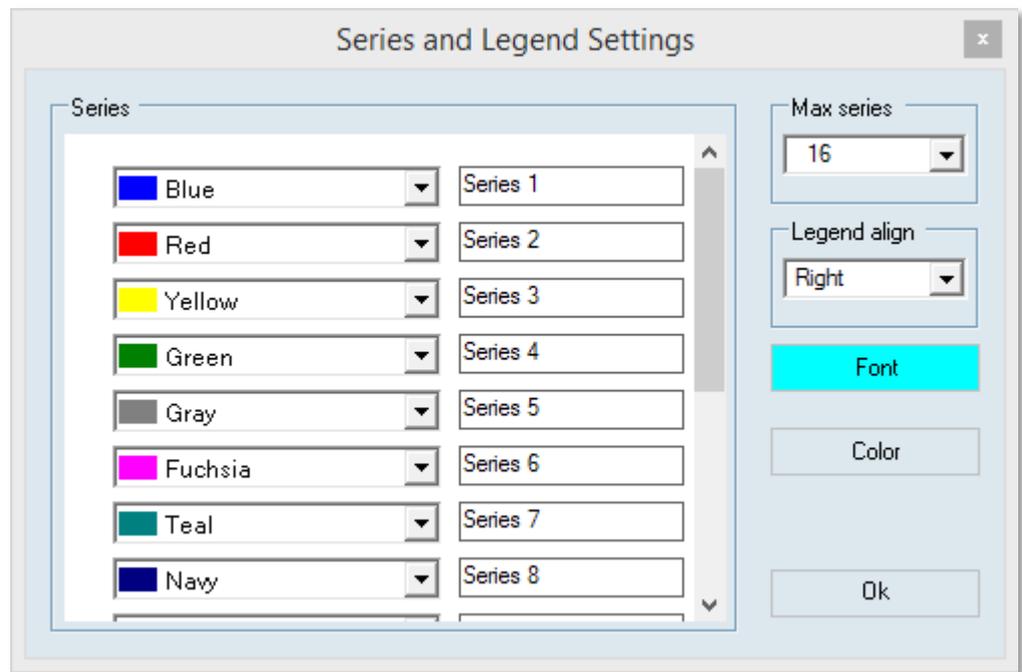
To make a reference to a variable, position the cursor per mouse click on the variable; then press the right mouse button and draw a line from the math box to the chart box. The reference is connected now.



5.1 Chart Settings

Chart types open a dialog box to choose between different chart types. To choose a chart type, first click on the chart box. Then click the chart icon. Do note that different chart types need different data format. All icons show tool tips with notes if the mouse is moved over them.

Legend settings open a dialog window to change the series names, colours and the legend position.



In **RedCrab** 16 different colours for drawing of series are presented. If you use more than 16 series in a chart, beginning with series 17, the colours will repeat. The series name is displayed with the word **Series** and a current number.

The dialog window contains 16 combo boxes to change the series colours and 16 editor boxes to assign the series name. If you need more than 16 series you can extend the list with the combo box **Max series**.

Max series does not limited the number of series of a chart box, it only specify the length of the list. If **Max series** is set to 16, and you use 20 series in the chart box, **RedCrab** uses for series 1 to 16, the dialog box colours and text. The series 17 to 20 uses the preset colour and the name **Series** with a current number.

Legend align sets the legend position.

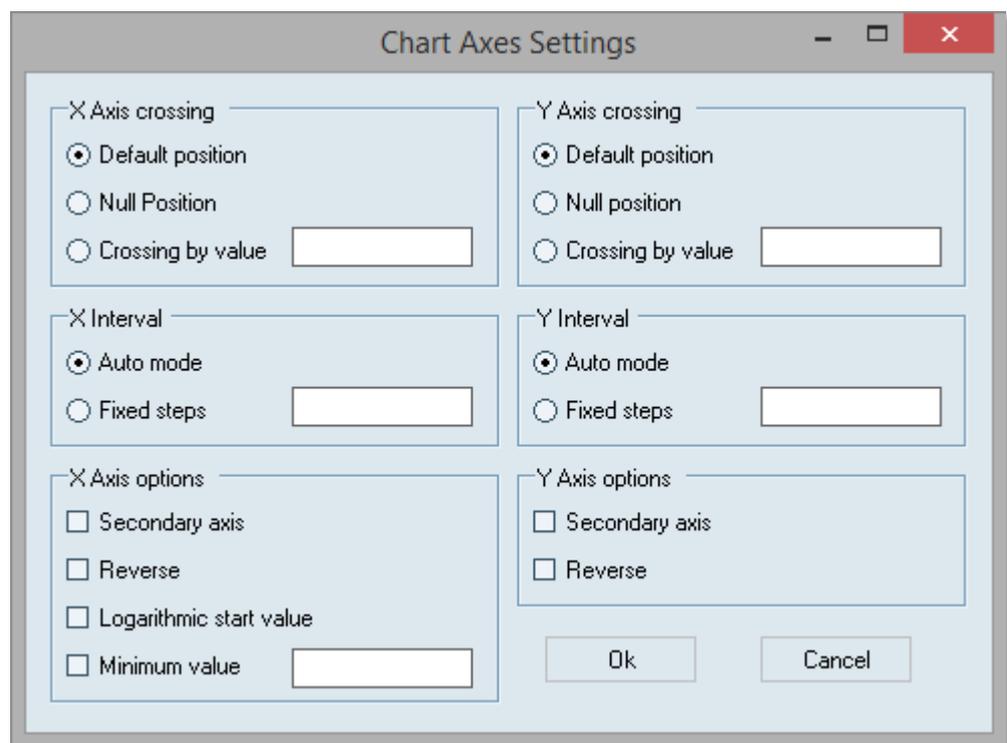
Show legend switches the legend to the state show or hide.

5.2 Chart Options

3D chart area displays the chart area in 3D-design

Show labels shows labels with decimal values

Axis settings open a dialog window for input of the axes properties. The picture below shows the Axis dialog window.



Axis crossing sets the axis position. By default setting, the Y axis is always left from the chart and the X axis at the bottom of the chart. Alternate you can position the axis on the null value of the scale or to a manual entered value.

Interval sets the scale steps on automatic or a manual entered value

Axis options displays with *Secondary axis* an additional axis on the top or on the right side. *Reverse* invert the axes scales. The values of the X axis increase from right to left instead from left to right. The

values of the *Y* axis increase from top to bottom instead from bottom to top.

Show axis switches the axis in show or hide mode

Background selects the chart box background

Flat displays the chart box with a white background without frame

Single border displays the chart box with a white background and a small frame

Color displays the chart box with a single-colored background and a small frame

Default displays the chart box with default color background and a small frame

Undocked displays the chart box in a separate window

6.1 Text Box

RedCrab provides inserting of text into your worksheet. To create a text box, first select a range on the worksheet and click the button **New text box** on the Text menu ribbon. The procedure is identical to the creation of a math or chart box.

If you want to load a text file to your worksheet, click the applications menus item **Open** -> **Open text** file. **RedCrab** create automatically a new text box to display the file.

The text parts in a text box can have different formatting. Tools for formatting can be found in the Text menu ribbon.

6.2 Program Box

The button *New program box* on the *Text* menu ribbon opens an editor box for programming of your own functions. For more information read the *Programmers Manual*.

6.3 Insert Pictures

For complex technical calculations, it might be useful to include pictures to mathematical formulas. *RedCrab* supports insert of images in any position on the worksheet.

Click the button *Image from clipboard* on the *Add-Ins* menu ribbon to paste an image from the clipboard.

Alternate you can load image files into the worksheet. To do this, open the image file browser with a click on *Open image file* in the applications menu. Then select the image file. *RedCrab* can import the image formats Windows Bitmap (*. *bmp*) *.*jpg*, *.*gif*, *.*png* and *.*tif*.

You change the image position or resize by dragging the image border. The button *Maintain ratio* in the menu group *Image* locks the image width to height ratio. The button *Original size* resets the size to the original.

6.4 Insert Label

The group *Label* in the *Add-Ins* menu ribbon contains button for creation and formatting of labels. Labels can be positioned in chart and image boxes. They can display text or results of calculations. Labels can display single values, but not data fields.

To create a label, first choose the target chart or image box with a mouse click. Then click the button *New Label* in the menu group *Label*. Finally drag the label with the mouse to the desired position.

If you want to display a text label, write the text in the editor row next to the button *Show text*. Then click the target label. Finally click the button *Show text*. The size of the label automatically adapts to the content.

If the label is to display the result of a calculation, you must connect the desired variable to the label. Place the cursor on the reference variable. Then draw a line from the math box to the label with the right mouse button.

Menu group *Label*

New Label creates a new label

Delete deletes the activated label

Show Text copies the text from the editor line to the activated label

Transparent displays the background transparency

Background opens a dialog box to choose the background colour

Font settings open a dialog box for font settings

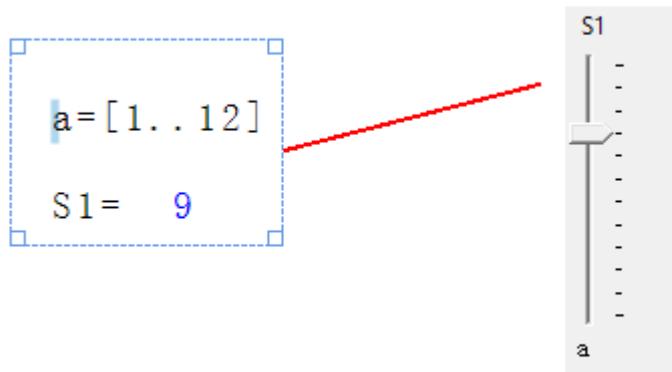
Font colour opens a dialog box to choose the font colour

Rotate rotates the label. Input the rotation in degree to the editor box beside the button. Then click this button.

6.5 Slider

A slider can be used instead of a variable in a formula or as a parameter of a function. The slider returns the individual value of a series of numbers depending on the position of the slider button. The sequence of numbers is defined as a field variable.

To add the reference to the variable, place the cursor on the variable; then, with the right mouse, you draw a line from the math box to the slider. The name of the reference variable is displayed at the bottom in the slider



The name of the sliders is used in the formula instead of a variable, in the example above S1

The name of the slider is automatically assigned. You can change the name by clicking on the name. A text box appears where you can change the name.

7.0 Quick Access Tool Bar

Execute



Execute start the calculator and display the result. It's equal to the **F8** and **Ctrl + Enter** keys.

Clear



The **Clear** function clears the worksheet.

The **Clear** function clears the worksheet without prompting. Instead, data are stored in the startup directory in a file named **redcrab.his**. If the **Clear** button was clicked by mistake, the worksheet can be restored with 🍌 **Reopen**.

Reopen



Reopen restores the last worksheet.

Tools Menu Ribbon

7.1 *Input panels*

Function collection opens a panel which contains buttons for all RedCrab math functions. All Buttons shows tool tips if you move the mouse over

Virtual keyboard opens a virtual keyboard (English US style)

Number pad opens a number pad

Symbol pad opens a panel which contains special symbols

7.2 *View*

System border displays all boxes with a frame

Mathbox grid displays a grid on the math boxes background

7.3 Extras

Set remark marks data in a worksheet as a comment. This function can be performed with the function key F2. Comments are ignored by the calculator.

To mark the data, first select the range with the mouse, and then click ***Set remark***. The selected data is displayed in green.

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Clear remark undo the remark function above by using the same step

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Lock workspace blocks the editor's page for additional entries. This function protects unintentional changes made. For data input, cells can be unlocked with ***Unlock Cell***.

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Unlock Cell unlocks cells in a locked page for data entry. Select the cells by mouse, and then click ***Unlock Cell***. The unlocked fields are marked with an underscore.

Reset Cell To clear the unlocked cells select the cells by mouse, then click ***Reset Cell***.

Autocalc start the calculator, if you enter an equal symbol

7.4 Accuracy

14 digits Accuracy: 15 – 16 digits
Calculation range: $\pm 5 \times 10^{-324}$ to $\pm 1.7 \times 10^{308}$

Floating point is due to the large range of values suitable for engineering and scientific calculations.

28 digits

Accuracy: 28-29 digits

Calculation range:

From: -79,228,162,514,264,337,593,543,950,335

To: 79,228,162,514,264,337,593,543,950,335

(Is approximate: -7.9×10^{28} to 7.9×10^{28})

Decimal is suitable due to the small rounding error for financial and monetary calculations.

7.5 Region

Tips

to choose the tool tips language. The language English and German is in RedCrab implemented. Additional languages can added with language files.

Keyboard

Menu button to select the keyboard.

The keyboard inputs in this description refer to an English keyboard in the country's setting English-US. When using another keyboard or regional setting, some functions are acquired with other key combinations.

Attached you will find images about key codes of the alternative keyboards and the occupancy of the ***Ctrl*** functions.

Attachment

Key Code Configuration

US-English

| | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
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| ~ ` | ! 1 ✓ | @ 2 X | # 3 X | \$ 4 J | % 5 f | ^ 6 X ^y | & 7 | * 8 | (9 (|) 0) | - X ^y | + = | ← Backspace |
| Tab ↔ | Q | W | E | R | T | Y | U | I | O | P | { [| }] | \ _ |
| Caps Lock ↑ | A | S | D | F | G | H | J | K | L | : | " | Enter ↵ | |
| Shift ↑ | Z | X | C | V | B | N | M | < | > | ? / | 1 2 | Shift ↑ | |
| Ctrl | Win Key | Alt | | | | | | Alt | Win Key | Menu | Ctrl | | |

German

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Italian

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| Shift ↑ | > | Z | X | C | V | B | N | M | ; | : | - Xy | Shift ↑ | |
| Ctrl | Win Key | Alt | | | | | | | Alt Gr | Win Key | Menu | Ctrl | |

Brazil (Portuguese)

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| Ctrl | Win Key | Alt | | | | | | | Alt Gr | Win Key | Menu | Ctrl | |