OpenMath/MathML Interface User Manual

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1 Introduction

The OpenMath/MathML interface for REDUCE provides an easy to use series of commands to translate OpenMath into MathML and vice versa. This manual is intended to describe the commands to allow proper use. The principal features of this package can be resumed as:

- Translation of OpenMath into MathML 1.0 or MathML 2.0
- Translation of MathML 1.0 and MathML 2.0 into OpenMath
- Generation of MathML and OpenMath compliant code.
- Provides an option which allows MathML code to be embedded within HTML <embed> tags for direct inclusion into a web page. The MathML can then be rendered by a plug-in.

2 Installation

The OpenMath/MathML interface is composed of the following files: om2ir.red, ir2om.red, mml_ir.red, tables.red, tools.red and main.red. There are two ways to load the program into REDUCE:

- Type in "main.red" at the prompt
- Type faslout om_mml; in "main.red"; faslend;. This will produce a library which can thereafter be quickly loaded by typing load om_mml;

Once the program has been loaded using any of these two methods it is usable.

3 Usage

3.1 Switches

There are three switches which define the behaviour of the interface. These are mathml1, mathml2 and web. There use can be described as follows:

mathml1: All MathML output will be MathML 1.0 compliant.

mathml2: All MathML output will be MathML 2.0 compliant.

web: All output will be printed within an HTML <embed> tag. This is for direct use in an HTML web page.

3.2 Commands

The following commands translate from one standard to the other:

om2mml() Translate OpenMath into MathML

mml2om() Translates MathML into OpenMath

In order to translate from one standard to the other one can directly input an expression into the prompt, or import one from a file.

To input an expression into the prompt, simply type the command om2mml(); or mml2om(); followed by the complete expression in OpenMath or MathML respectivily.

To input from a file, create a file with the command om2mml(); or mml2om(); followed by the complete expression in OpenMath or MathML respectivily. Once inside REDUCE type in foo where foo is the name of the file. The file will be read in, and the translation will be output to the user.