

REXX Summary

for VM/ESA

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Functions

<i>bit</i> = ABBREV (<i>information</i> , <i>info</i> [, <i>minlength</i>])	Abbreviation match
<i>num</i> = ABS (<i>number</i>)	Absolute value
<i>str</i> = ADDRESS ()	Query current environment
<i>num</i> = ARG ()	Number of arguments
<i>val</i> = ARG (<i>n</i>)	Nth argument
<i>bit</i> = ARG (<i>n</i> , 'Exists')	Does nth argument exist?
<i>bit</i> = ARG (<i>n</i> , 'Omitted')	Was nth argument omitted?
<i>str</i> = BITAND (<i>str1</i> [, <i>str2</i>][, <i>pad</i>])	Logically and strings
<i>str</i> = BITOR (<i>str1</i> [, <i>str2</i>][, <i>pad</i>])	Logically or strings
<i>str</i> = BITXOR (<i>str1</i> [, <i>str2</i>][, <i>pad</i>])	Logically xor strings
<i>str</i> = B2X (<i>str</i>)	Binary to hex (0F=00001111)
<i>str</i> = CENTER (<i>str</i> , <i>length</i> [, <i>pad</i>])	Center string
<i>str</i> = CENTRE (<i>str</i> , <i>length</i> [, <i>pad</i>])	CENTER for Brits
<i>str</i> = CHARIN ([<i>name</i>][, <i>start</i>][, <i>length</i>])	Read chars from input stream
<i>num</i> = CHAROUT ([<i>name</i>][, <i>start</i>][, <i>length</i>])	Write chars to output stream
<i>bit</i> = CHARS ([<i>name</i>])	Any chars in input stream?
<i>bit</i> = CMSFLAG (<i>flag</i>)	Query SET ... (see page 3)
<i>cix</i> = COMPARE (<i>str1</i> , <i>str2</i> [, <i>pad</i>])	0 or first mismatch
<i>str</i> = CONDITION ('Condition')	Name of trapped condition
<i>str</i> = CONDITION (['Instruction'])	CALL or SIGNAL
<i>str</i> = CONDITION ('Description')	Description or null
<i>str</i> = CONDITION ('Status')	ON, OFF, or DELAY
<i>str</i> = COPIES (<i>str</i> , <i>n</i>)	<i>n</i> copies of entire string
<i>rc</i> = CSL ('rtname retcode parms')	Callable services library
<i>num</i> = C2D (<i>str</i> [, <i>n</i>])	Character to decimal
<i>str</i> = C2X (<i>str</i>)	Character to hexadecimal
<i>str</i> = DATATYPE (<i>str</i>)	NUM or CHAR
<i>bit</i> = DATATYPE (<i>str</i> , <i>type</i>)	Matches type? (see page 3)
<i>str</i> = DATE ()	Current date (dd Mmm yyyy)
<i>str</i> = DATE (<i>dopt</i>)	Date info (see page 3)
... = DB... (<i>str</i> ,...)	13 DBCS support functions
<i>str</i> = DELSTR (<i>str</i> , <i>n</i>)	Delete <i>cix</i> from <i>n</i> to end
<i>str</i> = DELSTR (<i>str</i> , <i>n</i> , <i>length</i>)	Delete <i>cix</i> <i>n</i> for <i>length</i>
<i>str</i> = DELWORD (<i>str</i> , <i>n</i>)	Delete <i>wix</i> from <i>n</i> to end
<i>str</i> = DELWORD (<i>str</i> , <i>n</i> , <i>length</i>)	Delete <i>wix</i> <i>n</i> for <i>length</i>
<i>str</i> = DIAG (<i>hex</i> [?][, <i>data</i>][, <i>data</i>]...)	? displays diagnostics
<i>str</i> = DIAGRC (<i>hex</i> [?][, <i>data</i>][, <i>data</i>]...)	Also returns CP codes
<i>str</i> = D2C (<i>wholenumber</i> [, <i>n</i>])	Decimal to character
<i>str</i> = D2X (<i>wholenumber</i> [, <i>n</i>])	Decimal to hexadecimal
<i>str</i> = ERRORTEXT (<i>n</i>)	Error message text (0-99)
<i>num</i> = EXTERNALS ()	See PARSE EXTERNAL
<i>wix</i> = FIND (<i>haystack</i> , <i>needle</i>)	0=not found; prefer WORDPOS
<i>str</i> = FORM ()	Query NUMERIC FORM
<i>str</i> = FORMAT (<i>num</i> [, <i>before</i>][, <i>after</i>])	Around decimal place
<i>str</i> = FUZZ ()	Query NUMERIC FUZZ
<i>cix</i> = INDEX (<i>haystack</i> , <i>needle</i> [, <i>start</i>])	Default start=1; prefer POS
<i>str</i> = INSERT (<i>new</i> , <i>str</i> [, <i>n</i>][, <i>length</i>][, <i>pad</i>])	Insert after <i>cix</i> <i>n</i>
<i>str</i> = JUSTIFY (<i>str</i> , <i>length</i> [, <i>pad</i>])	Right-left justify
<i>cix</i> = LASTPOS (<i>needle</i> , <i>haystack</i> [, <i>start</i>])	POS from right to left
<i>str</i> = LEFT (<i>str</i> , <i>length</i> [, <i>pad</i>])	Take chars from left
<i>num</i> = LENGTH (<i>str</i>)	Shape (in chars)
<i>str</i> = LINEIN ([<i>name</i>][, <i>line</i>][, <i>count</i>])	Read line from input stream
<i>bit</i> = LINEOUT ([<i>name</i>][, <i>string</i>][, <i>line</i>])	Write line to output stream

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<code>num = LINES([name])</code>	Input stream lines remaining
<code>num = LINESIZE()</code>	From CP TERM LINESIZE
<code>num = MAX(num[, num...])</code>	Maximum (up to 10 numbers)
<code>num = MIN(num[, num...])</code>	Minimum (up to 10 numbers)
<code>str = OVERLAY(new, str[, [n][, [length][, pad]]])</code>	Overlay after cix n
<code>cix = POS(needle, haystack[, startcix])</code>	0=not found
<code>num = QUEUED()</code>	Lines in stack
<code>num = RANDOM()</code>	Random whole number 0-999
<code>num = RANDOM([min][, [max][, seed]])</code>	Random whole number in range
<code>str = REVERSE(str)</code>	Rotate string
<code>str = RIGHT(str, length[, pad])</code>	Take chars from right
<code>num = SIGN(num)</code>	Signum: -1, 0, or 1
<code>num = SOURCELINE()</code>	Lines in source file
<code>str = SOURCELINE(n)</code>	Nth line from file
<code>str = SPACE(str[, [n][, pad]])</code>	Normalize spaces; def n=1
<code>hex = STORAGE()</code>	Virtual storage size in hex
<code>hex = STORAGE(address, length)</code>	Read storage
<code>hex = STORAGE(address, length, data)</code>	Write storage
<code>str = STREAM(name[, 'State'])</code>	State of stream
<code>str = STREAM(name, 'Description')</code>	State of stream, more detail
<code>str = STREAM(name, 'Command', cmd)</code>	Apply command to stream
<code>str = STRIP(str[, [option][, char]])</code>	L, T, or default=Both
<code>str = SUBSTR(str, firstcix[, [length][, pad]])</code>	Substring
<code>str = SUBWORD(str, firstwix[, length])</code>	Def length=rest of string
<code>str = SYMBOL(name)</code>	State: BAD, VAR, or LIT
<code>str = TIME()</code>	Current time (hh:mm:ss)
<code>str = TIME(topt)</code>	Time info (see page 3)
<code>str = TRACE()</code>	Query trace actions
<code>str = TRACE(option)</code>	Alter trace, return prev
<code>str = TRANSLATE(str[, [new][, [old][, pad]])</code>	Map old to new
<code>num = TRUNC(num[, n])</code>	Truncate to n decimals
<code>str = USERID()</code>	Query logon userid
<code>val = VALUE(name)</code>	Query value of name
<code>val = VALUE(name, val)</code>	Change value of name
<code>val = VALUE(name[, val], selector [groupname])</code>	GLOBAL/LASTING/SESSION var
<code>cix = VERIFY(str, okchars[, ['Nomatch'], start])</code>	First bad cix; 0=all ok
<code>cix = VERIFY(str, okchars, 'Match', start)</code>	First good cix; 0=none
<code>str = WORD(str, wix)</code>	Extract nth word
<code>cix = WORDINDEX(str, wix)</code>	Char pos of nth word
<code>num = WORDLENGTH(str, wix)</code>	Chars in nth word
<code>wix = WORDPOS(needle, haystack[, start])</code>	Find word(s)
<code>num = WORDS(str)</code>	Count number of words
<code>str = XRANGE([start][, end])</code>	One byte codes between
<code>str = X2B(str)</code>	Hexadecimal to binary
<code>str = X2C(hex)</code>	Hexadecimal to character
<code>num = X2D(hex[, n])</code>	Hexadecimal to decimal
<code>num</code>	Number
<code>str</code>	String
<code>bit</code>	0 or 1
<code>cix</code>	Character index
<code>wix</code>	Word index
<code>val</code>	Value (num or str)

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CMSFLAG(flag)	
<code>flag: ABBREV</code>	1=SET ABBREV ON, 0=SET ABBREV OFF
<code>AUTOREAD</code>	1=SET AUTOREAD ON, 0=SET AUTOREAD OFF
<code>CMSTYPE</code>	1=RT or SET CMSTYPE RT, 0=HT or SET CMSTYPE HT
<code>DOS</code>	1=SET DOS ON, 0=SET DOS OFF
<code>EXECTRAC</code>	1=TS or SET EXECTRAC ON, 0=TE or SET EXECTRAC OFF
<code>IMPCP</code>	1=SET IMPCP ON, 0=SET IMPCP OFF
<code>IMPEX</code>	1=SET IMPEX ON, 0=SET IMPEX OFF
<code>PROTECT</code>	1=SET PROTECT ON, 0=SET PROTECT OFF
<code>RELPAGE</code>	1=SET RELPAGE ON, 0=SET RELPAGE OFF
<code>SUBSET</code>	1=SUBSET, 0=RETURNed
<code>XA</code>	1=Running in XA or XC virtual machine, 0=370
<code>XC</code>	1=Running in XC virtual machine, 0=XA or 370
<code>370</code>	1=Running in 370 virtual machine, 0=XA or XC

DATATYPE(str, type)	
<code>type: Alphanumeric</code>	Alphanumeric (a-z, A-Z, 0-9)
<code>Binary</code>	Binary (0-1)
<code>C</code>	Mixed SBCS/DBCS string
<code>Dbscs</code>	DBCS-only string enclosed by S0 and SI bytes
<code>Lowercase</code>	Lowercase (a-z)
<code>Mixed case</code>	Mixed case (a-z, A-Z)
<code>Number</code>	Number
<code>Symbol</code>	Symbol (valid REXX name)
<code>Uppercase</code>	Uppercase (A-Z)
<code>Whole number</code>	Whole number
<code>hexXadecimal</code>	Hexadecimal (a-f, A-F, 0-9)

DATE(dopt)	
<code>dopt: Base</code>	Whole days since 1 Jan 0001 (//7 for 0=Monday, 6=Sunday)
<code>Century</code>	Days so far in this century
<code>Days</code>	Days so far in this year
<code>European</code>	dd/mm/yy
<code>Julian</code>	yyddd
<code>Month</code>	Month
<code>Normal</code>	dd Mon yyyy
<code>Ordered</code>	yy/mm/dd
	Standard yyyymmdd
	Usa mm/dd/yy
	Weekday Tuesday

TIME(topt)	
<code>topt: Civil</code>	hh:mmxx (1-12, 00-59, am/pm)
<code>Elapsed</code>	ssssssss.uuuuuu (seconds, microseconds)
<code>Hours</code>	Hours since midnight
<code>Long</code>	hh:mm:ss.uuuuuu
<code>Minutes</code>	Minutes since midnight
<code>Normal</code>	hh:mm:ss
<code>Reset</code>	Returns elapsed time, restarts timer
<code>Seconds</code>	Seconds since midnight

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Syntax	
/* ... */	Comment (may span lines, may be nested)
,	Line continuation
;	Statement separator
V.i	Compound variable
'Of'x	Hexadecimal notation
'0010'b	Binary notation

Symbols	
May use characters: A-Z, a-z, 0-9, and @ # \$ \ . ! ? _	
Special variables: RC, RESULT, SIGL	

Operators	
Operators are grouped by precedence (highest to lowest) below Operators of equal precedence are evaluated from left to right	
\ ~	Logical NOT (prefix)
+	Numeric (prefix); same as 0+num
-	Negate (prefix); same as 0-num
**	Raise to (whole) power
*	Multiply
/	Divide
%	Integer divide: divide and return integer part
//	Remainder: divide and return remainder (not modulo; result may be negative)
+	Add
-	Subtract
(abuttal)	Concatenate without blank
(blank)	Concatenate with blank
==	Strictly equal (identical)
!=	Not strictly equal
>>	Strictly greater than
<<	Strictly less than
>>=	Strictly greater than or equal to; not less than
<<=	Strictly less than or equal to; not greater than
=	Equal (numerically or when padded, etc.)
!=	Not equal; greater than or less than
>	Greater than
<	Less than
>=	Greater than or equal to; not less than
<=	Less than or equal to; not greater than
&	AND
	Inclusive OR (either, or both)
&&	Exclusive OR (either, but not both)

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Instructions	
ADDRESS	Permanently toggle destination of commands to last environment
ADDRESS	<i>environment</i>
CMS	Full command resolution; default for EXECs
CMSMIXED	Same as CMS but no uppercase translation
COMMAND	Must use EXEC and CP prefixes; most efficient
''	Same as COMMAND
XEDIT	Route commands to system editor
ADDRESS	Permanently change destination of commands
VALUE	<i>envexpression</i>
ADDRESS	Permanently change destination of commands
ADDRESS	<i>environment cmdexpression</i>
	Specify destination for just this one command
ARG	[<i>template</i>]
	Same as PARSE UPPER ARG [<i>template</i>]
CALL	<i>name</i> [<i>expression</i> [, <i>expression</i>]]... (up to 20 expressions)
	If name in quotes, only built-in or external function called
	Optional result returned in special variable RESULT
CALL ON	<i>condition</i> [NAME <i>trapname</i>]
ERROR	Host command returns non-zero rc (or just positive rc if ON FAILURE too)
FAILURE	Host command returns negative return code
HALT	Attempt to interrupt (such as HI)
NOTREADY	Error during input or output operation
	Call on specified condition; variable SIGL contains line number
CALL OFF	<i>condition</i>
	Cancel CALL ON trap
DO	[<i>name</i> = <i>expr</i> [TO <i>expr</i>] [BY <i>expr</i>] [FOR <i>expr</i>]] [WHILE <i>expr</i>] [FOREVER] [UNTIL <i>expr</i>] [<i>expr</i>] ...instructions... END [<i>symbol</i>]
	Repeated execution of a group of instructions
DROP	<i>name</i> (<i>namelist</i>) [<i>name</i> (<i>namelist</i>) ...]
	Unassign named variables and/or list of vars contained in variable
EXIT	[<i>expression</i>]
	Unconditionally leave; optionally return data
IF	<i>expression</i> THEN <i>instruction</i> [ELSE <i>instruction</i>]
	Conditional execution
INTERPRET	<i>expression</i>
	Execute <i>expression</i> as though it were a line in input file
ITERATE	[<i>name</i>]
	Steps current or named do loop
LEAVE	[<i>name</i>]
	Ends current or named do loop
NOP	Dummy instruction
NUMERIC	DIGITS [<i>expression</i>]
	Number of significant digits (default=9; can be arbitrarily high!)
NUMERIC	FORM SCIENTIFIC ENGINEERING VALUE <i>expression</i>
	Exponential notation format; default=SCIENTIFIC
NUMERIC	FUZZ <i>expression</i>
	Digits, at full precision, to ignore during comparisons (default=0)

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OPTIONS	<p>'ETMODE' Check for valid DBCS strings 'NOETMODE' Don't check for valid DBCS strings (default) 'EXMODE' Handle DBCS data on a logical character basis 'NOEXMODE' All string data handled on a byte basis (default) Check for valid DBCS strings; how to process DBCS string data</p>
PARSE [UPPER]	<p>ARG [template] Program/subroutine/function parameters EXTERNAL Next string from terminal input buffer LINEIN Next line from default input stream NUMERIC Current DIGITS FUZZ FORM settings PULL Next string from program stack SOURCE Source of program being executed VALUE [expr] WITH Parse result of expression VAR name Parse named variable VERSION Query REXX version</p> <p>Assign data to one or more variables</p>
PROCEDURE [EXPOSE name (namelist) [name (namelist) ...]]	<p>Protect (localize) variables in internal function or subroutine By default, all variables are global</p>
PULL [template]	<p>Same as PARSE UPPER PULL</p>
PUSH [expression]	<p>Stack resulting string LIFO in program stack</p>
QUEUE [expression]	<p>Stack resulting string FIFO in program stack</p>
RETURN [expression]	<p>Return control; like EXIT if no internal routine active Returns result from function; sets RESULT variable from subroutine</p>
SAY [expression]	<p>Displays (TYPES) a line to default output stream (the terminal)</p>
SELECT	<p>WHEN expression THEN instruction WHEN expression THEN instruction ...etc... OTHERWISE instruction END</p> <p>Case-conditional execution Only the first matching case is executed</p>
SIGNAL label	<p>Pass control to label</p>
SIGNAL [VALUE] expression	<p>Pass control to label evaluated from expression</p>
SIGNAL ON condition [NAME trapname]	<p>ERROR Host command returns non-zero rc (or just positive rc if ON FAILURE too) FAILURE Host command returns negative return code HALT Attempt to interrupt (such as HI) NOTREADY Error during input or output operation NOVALUE Uninitialized variable used SYNTAX Interpretation syntax error</p> <p>Signal on specified condition; variable SIGL contains line number</p>
SIGNAL OFF condition	<p>Cancel SIGNAL ON trap</p>

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Instructions	
TRACE [prefix] [letter]	<p>prefix: ?=Toggle pause for interactive debug input after trace occurs !=Toggle inhibit host command execution (try TRACE !C)</p> <p>letter: A=All: all clauses traced (displayed) before execution C=Commands: all host commands traced, non-zero rc's displayed E=Error: host commands with non-zero rc traced after execution F=Failure: host commands with negative rc traced after execution I=Intermediates: All + intermediate results L=Labels: display labels as passed during execution N=Normal=Negative: host cmds with negative rc traced after execution O=Off, or no argument: nothing traced; prefix actions off R=Results: final (not intermediate) results, plus PULL, ARG, PARSE S=Scan: trace remaining clauses without executing</p>
TRACE [number]	<p>n=skip next n interactive debug pauses -n=skip next n tracing displays</p>
UPPER variable [variable ...]	<p>Translate contents of named variables to uppercase</p>
PARSE SOURCE s.1 s.2 s.3 s.4 s.5 s.6 s.7	<p>s.1 = 'CMS' s.2 = 'COMMAND' 'FUNCTION' 'SUBROUTINE' s.3 = Filename s.4 = Filetype s.5 = Filemode s.6 = Name as invoked (possibly different than s.3 if synonym used) s.7 = Default ADDRESS for commands</p>
TRACE Messages	<p>*-* Source data in program +++ Trace message >>> Result of expression, parsed value, or returned from subroutine >.> Value assigned to placeholder during parsing</p> <p>during TRACE I: >C> Name of compound variable >F> Result of function call >L> Literal (string or uninitialized variable) >O> Result of operation on two terms >P> Result of prefix operation >V> Contents of a variable</p>