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# **daScript Standard Library**

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## **INTRODUCTION**

The daScript standard libraries consist in a set of modules implemented in C++. While are not essential for the language, they provide a set of useful services that are commonly used by a wide range of applications (file I/O, regular expressions, etc.), plus they offer a foundation for developing additional libraries.

All libraries are implemented through the daScript API and C++ runtime library. The modules are organized in the following way:

- `fi` : input and output
- `math` : basic mathematical routines
- `random` : LCG random mathematical routines
- `string` : string library





## THE MATH LIBRARY

Floating point math in general is not bit-precise. Compiler can optimize permutations, replace divisions with multiplications, and some of functions are not bit-exact. If you need precise math use double precision type. All functions and symbols are in “math” module, use `require` to get access to it.

```
require math
```

### 2.1 Common Symbols

#### 2.1.1 all numerics (uint\*, int\*, float\*, double)

**min** ( $x, y$ )  
returns the minimum of  $x$  and  $y$

**max** ( $x, y$ )  
returns the maximum of  $x$  and  $y$

#### 2.1.2 float\* and double

**abs** ( $x$ )  
returns the absolute value of  $x$  as same time

**acos** ( $x$ )  
returns the arccosine of  $x$

**asin** ( $x$ )  
returns the arcsine of  $x$

**atan** ( $x$ )  
returns the arctangent of  $x$

**atan2** ( $x, y$ )  
returns the arctangent of  $x/y$

**cos** ( $x$ )  
returns the cosine of  $x$

**sin** ( $x$ )  
returns the sine of  $x$

**tan** ( $x$ )  
returns the tangent of  $x$

**exp** ( $x$ )

returns the exponential value of the float parameter  $x$

**log** ( $x$ )

returns the natural logarithm of  $x$

**exp2** ( $x$ )

returns the  $2^x$  value of the float parameter  $x$

**log2** ( $x$ )

returns the logarithm base-2 of  $x$

**pow** ( $x, y$ )

returns  $x$  raised to the power of  $y$

**sqrt** ( $x$ )

returns the square root of  $x$

**rcp** ( $x$ )

returns the  $1/x$  of  $x$

**PI**

The numeric constant pi (3.141592) is the ratio of the circumference of a circle to its diameter

**ceil** ( $x$ )

returns a float value representing the smallest integer (type is still float) that is greater than or equal to  $x$

**floor** ( $x$ )

returns a float value representing the largest integer that is less than or equal to  $x$

**abs** ( $x$ )

returns a positive value representing with same module as  $x$

**saturate** ( $x$ )

returns a clamped to [0..1] inclusive range  $x$

### 2.1.3 float\* only

**atan2\_est** ( $x, y$ )

returns the faster approximation of arctangent of  $x/y$  - float only

**rcp\_est** ( $x$ )

returns the fast approximation  $1/x$  of  $x$  - float only

**ceili** ( $x$ )

returns a value representing the smallest integer (integer type!) that is greater than or equal to  $x$

**floori** ( $x$ )

returns a integer value representing the largest integer that is less than or equal to  $x$

**roundi** ( $x$ )

returns a integer value representing the integer that is closest to  $x$

**trunci** ( $x$ )

returns a integer value representing the float without fraction part of  $x$

## 2.2 Noise functions

**uint32\_hash** ( $x: uint$ )

returns hashed value of  $x$

**uint\_noise\_1D** ( $position: int; seed: uint$ )

returns noise value of  $position$  in  $seed$  sequence

**uint\_noise\_2D** ( $x, y: int; seed: uint$ )

returns noise value of  $x, y$  position in  $seed$  sequence

**uint\_noise\_3D** ( $x, y, z: int; seed: uint$ )

returns noise value of  $x, y, z$  position in  $seed$  sequence

## 2.3 Vector functions

### 2.3.1 float2, float3, float4:

**length** ( $x$ )

returns a non-negative value representing magnitude of  $x$

**length\_sq** ( $x$ )

returns a non-negative value representing squared magnitude of  $x$

**inv\_length** ( $x$ )

returns a non-negative value representing  $1/\text{magnitude}$  of  $x$

**inv\_length\_sq** ( $x$ )

returns a non-negative value representing  $1/\text{squared magnitude}$  of  $x$

**distance** ( $x, y$ )

returns a non-negative value representing distance between  $x$  and  $y$

**distance\_sq** ( $x$ )

returns a non-negative value representing squared distance between  $x$  and  $y$

**inv\_distance** ( $x, y$ )

returns a non-negative value representing  $1/\text{distance}$  between  $x$  and  $y$

**inv\_distance\_sq** ( $x$ )

returns a non-negative value representing  $1/\text{squared distance}$  between  $x$  and  $y$

**dot** ( $x, y$ )

returns scalar representing dot product between  $x$  and  $y$

**normalize** ( $x$ )

returns normalized  $x$ , or nan if  $\text{length}(x)$  is 0

**safe\_normalize** ( $x$ )

returns normalized  $x$ , or 0 if  $\text{length}(x)$  is 0

### 2.3.2 float3 only:

**cross** ( $x, y$ )

returns vector representing cross product between  $x$  and  $y$

**reflect** ( $v, n$ )

returns vector representating reflection of  $x$  from  $n$  same as

```
def reflect(v, n: float3)
    return v - 2. * dot(v, n) * n
```

**refract** ( $v, n$ )

returns vector representating reflection of  $x$  from  $n$  same as

```
def refract(v, n: float3; nint: float; outRefracted: float3&)
    let dt = dot(v, n)
    let discr = 1. - nint * nint * (1. - dt * dt)
    if discr > 0.
        outRefracted = nint * (v - n * dt) - n * sqrt(discr)
        return true
    return false
```

## 2.4 lerp/madd/clamp

**lerp** ( $a, b, t$ )

returns vector or scalar representating  $a + (b - a) * t$

**madd** ( $a, b, c$ )

returns vector or scalar representating  $a * b + c$

**clamp** ( $t, a, b$ )

returns vector or scalar representating  $\min(\max(t, a), b)$

## THE SYSTEM LIBRARY

The system library exposes operating system facilities like environment variables, date time manipulation etc.

### 3.1 Global Symbols

clock - builtin type. You can use clock-clock to get difference of time in seconds (float). clock type can be printed and string built.

**getClock ()**  
returns current clock (current time)



## THE STRING LIBRARY

the string lib implements string formatting and regular expression matching routines.

### 4.1 Global Symbols

**ends\_with** (*str*, *cmp*)

returns *true* if the end of the string *str* matches a the string *cmp* otherwise returns *false*

**starts\_with** (*str*, *cmp*)

returns *true* if the beginning of the string *str* matches the string *cmp*; otherwise returns *false*

**strip\_left** (*str*)

Strips white-space-only characters that might appear at the beginning of the given string and returns the new stripped string.

**strip\_right** (*str*)

Strips white-space-only characters that might appear at the end of the given string and returns the new stripped string.

**strip** (*str*)

Strips white-space-only characters that might appear at the beginning or end of the given string and returns the new stripped string.

**find** (*str*, *substr*[, *at* ])

Return index where substr czn be found within str (starting from optional at), or -1 if not found

**length** (*str*)

Return length of string

**reverse** (*str*)

Return reversed string

**to\_lower** (*str*)

Return all lower case string

**to\_upper** (*str*)

Return all upper case string

**slice** (*str*, *start*[, *end* ])

Return all part of the strings starting at start and ending by end. Start can be negative (-1 means “1 from the end”).

### 4.2 String builder





## THE BLOB LIBRARY

The blob library implements binary data manipulations routines. The library is based on *blob objects* that represent a buffer of arbitrary binary data.

### 5.1 daScript API

#### 5.1.1 Global symbols

**binary\_save** (*f*, *block*<*blob*: *string*>)  
saves *f* to returned blob (provided to a block)

**binary\_load** (*var obj*; *blob*: *string*)  
loads *obj* from blob

#### 5.1.2 The blob

The blob object is a buffer of arbitrary binary data, which still is typed as string.



## THE INPUT/OUTPUT LIBRARY

the i/o library implements basic input/output routines.

todo: to be written



## THE LCG RANDOM LIBRARY

the random library implements basic random routines.

### 7.1 Unit functions

**int4 random\_seed** (*seed:int32*)  
constructs seed vector out of single integer seed

**int random\_int** (*seed:int4*)  
random integer 0..32767

**int4 random\_int4** (*seed:int4*)  
random int4, each component is 0..32767

**float random\_float** (*seed:int4*)  
random float 0..1

**float4 random\_float4** (*seed:int4*)  
random float4, each component is 0..1

### 7.2 Distribution functions

**float3 random\_unit\_vector** (*seed:int4*)  
random float3 unit vector (length=1)

**float3 random\_in\_unit\_sphere** (*seed:int4*)  
random float3 unit vector (length=1) which happens to be inside a sphere R=1

**float3 random\_in\_unit\_disk** (*seed:int4*)  
random float3 unit vector (length=1) which happens to be inside a disk R=1, Z=0