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**Short Instructions
On Mathematica**

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The screenshot displays the Wolfram Mathematica 8 interface. On the left, the 'Create New...' menu is open, showing options: 'Notebook »', 'Slide Show »', and 'Other...'. A tooltip points to the 'Notebook' option, containing the text: 'Press **ENTER** to open a new notebook'. Below this is the 'Open Recent...' section with a list of files: 'Big_Oh_derivatives.nb', 'BigTheta_...mation.nb', 'BigOh_exercise.nb', 'WorstCase...gesort.nb', and 'SummationaClean.nb', followed by an 'Open...' button.

The main area features the 'Wolfram Mathematica 8' logo and a 'User Portal Login' button. A central video player shows a 'Welcome to Mathematica 8' video with a play button. To the right of the video, the text reads: 'Welcome to Mathematica 8', 'Get started now!', and 'Watch our introductory videos to get a quick overview of Mathematica and some of the exciting new features in Version 8. Learn how to take your first steps in Mathematica. »'. Below the video is a navigation bar with '« 1 / 13 »'.

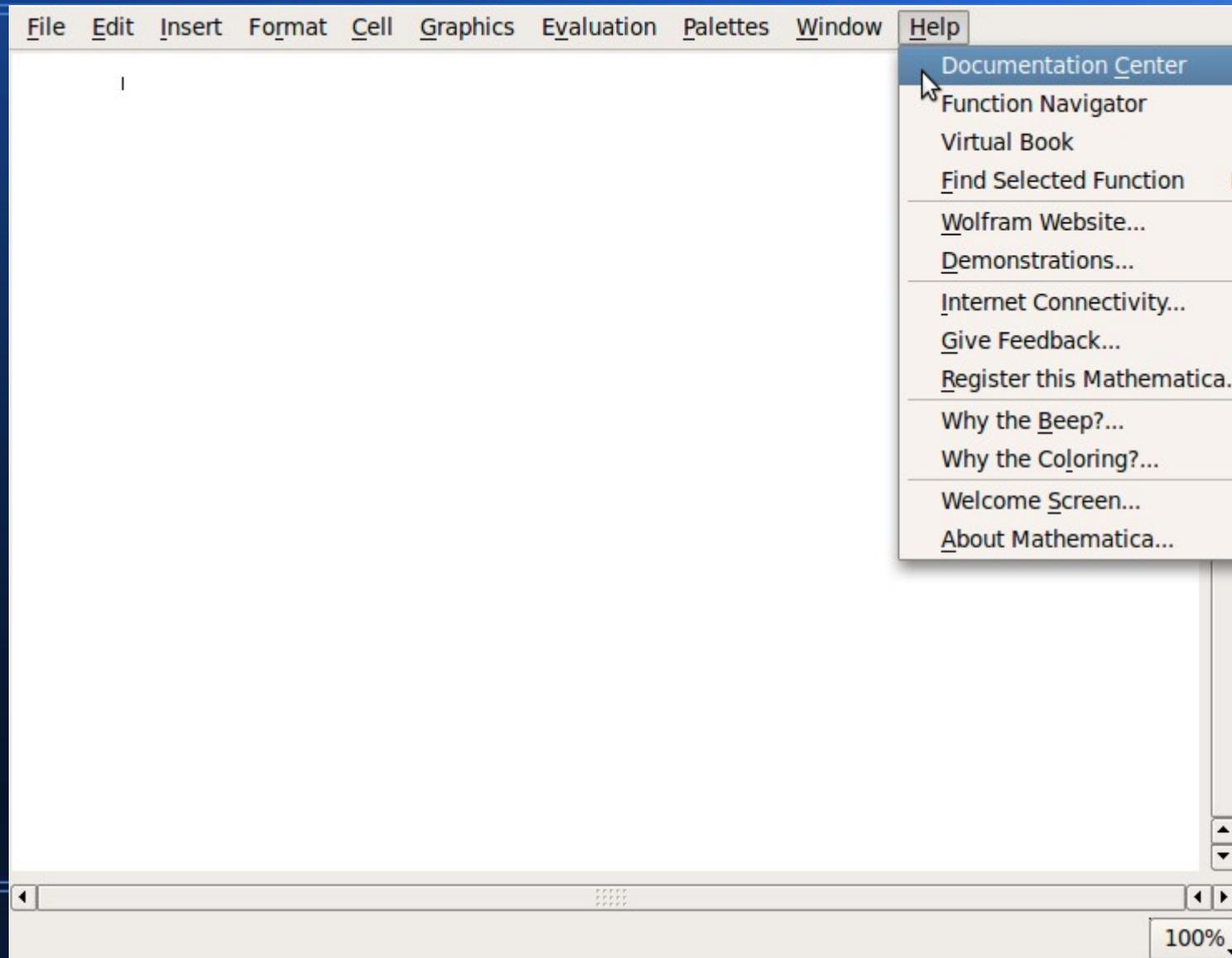
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Greek Letters »
 $\alpha \cdot \beta \cdot \theta \cdot \delta \cdot \phi \cdot \omega \cdot \Delta \cdot \Psi \cdot \Omega \cdot \mathcal{D} \cdot \dots$
`\[Alpha]` · `\[CurlyTheta]` · `\[CapitalDelta]` · `\[Sampi]` · ...

Notational Alphabets »
 $a \cdot \mathcal{A} \cdot \mathfrak{a} \cdot \mathfrak{A} \cdot \mathring{a} \cdot \mathring{A} \cdot \aleph \cdot \dots$
`\[ScriptA]` · `\[ScriptCapitalA]` · `\[GothicA]` · `\[FormalA]` · `\[Aleph]` · ...

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 $\int \cdot \sum \cdot \partial \cdot \nabla \cdot \forall \cdot \cap \cdot \equiv \cdot \approx \cdot L \cdot \in \cdot \phi \cdot \wedge \cdot \oplus \cdot \dots$
`\[Integral]` · `\[Sum]` · `\[Del]` · `\[ForAll]` · `\[CirclePlus]` · ...

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Mathematical Notation Characters

Mathematica has the world's largest collection of consistent multifont mathematical notation characters— all fully integrated into both typesetting and symbolic expression construction.

Basic Mathematics

\times \[Times] \div \[Divide] $\sqrt{\quad}$ \[Sqrt] \propto \[Proportion]

∞ \[Infinity] π \[Pi] e \[ExponentialE] i \[ImaginaryI] $^\circ$ \[Degree]

$=$ \[LongEqual] \neq \[NotEqual] \leq \[LessEqual] \geq \[GreaterEqual]

\pm \[PlusMinus] \mp \[MinusPlus] \approx \[TildeEqual]

Calculus & Analysis

\int \[Integral] d \[DifferentialD]

\sum \[Sum] \prod \[Product]

∂ \[PartialD] ∇ \[Del] \square \[Square]

\oint \[ContourIntegral] \oint \oint \oint D

\prime \[Prime] $''$ \backslash \wedge \dots

Vectors, Matrices & Vector Spaces

\rightarrow \[RightVector] \times \[Cross] \wedge \[Wedge] \oplus \[CirclePlus] \otimes

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**This will give you detailed
description how to type it**

Wolfram Mathematica window titled "\[Sum] - Wolfram Mathematica". The menu bar includes File, Edit, Insert, Format, Cell, Graphics, Evaluation, Palettes, Window, and Help. The search bar contains "ref/character/Sum". The breadcrumb trail is "Mathematica > Notebooks and Documents > Special Characters > Σ >".

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\[Sum]

- Unicode: 2211.
- Alias: `ESC sum ESC`.
- Compound operator with built-in evaluation rules.
- $\sum_i^{i_{\max}} f$ is by default interpreted as `Sum[f, {i, imax}]`.
- $\sum_{i=i_{\min}}^{i_{\max}} f$ is by default interpreted as `Sum[f, {i, imin, imax}]`.
- Not the same as the Greek letter `\[CapitalSigma]`.

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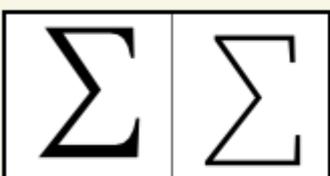
`\[Product]` · `\[Integral]` · `\[DifferenceDelta]` · `\[CapitalSigma]`

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Calculus & Analysis

\int `\[Integral]` · d `\[DifferentialD]`
 \sum `\[Sum]` · \prod `\[Product]`
 ∂ `\[PartialD]` · ∇ `\[Del]` · \square `\[Square]`
 \oint `\[ContourIntegral]` · \oint · \oint · \oint · D
 $'$ `\[Prime]` · $''$ · \backslash · \wedge · $''$ · ...

Vectors, Matrices & Vector Spaces

\rightarrow `\[RightVector]` · \times `\[Cross]` · \wedge `\[Wedge]` · \oplus `\[CirclePlus]` · \otimes

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And select

Listing of All Special Characters

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Here is the list.

Scroll it and find the symbols you need.

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Listing of Named Characters

Mathematica provides systemwide support for a large number of special characters. Each character has a name and a number of shortcut aliases. They are fully supported by the standard *Mathematica* fonts. For further information about named characters, including character interpretations and naming conventions, please see "Named Characters".

Characters

- á — \[AAcute]
- ā — \[ABar]
- ă — \[ACup]
- â — \[ADoubleDot]
- æ — \[AE]
- à — \[AGrave]
- â — \[AHat]
- ℵ — \[Aleph]
- ⋮ — \[AliasDelimiter]
- ⋮ — \[AliasIndicator]
- — \[AlignmentMarker]
- α — \[Alpha]

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formulas

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Special forms for some common symbols. This is equivalent to `Sin[60Degree]`. Here is the long form of the input.

[Mixing Text and Formulas](#) (Mathematica Tutorial)

The simplest way to mix text and formulas in a *Mathematica* notebook is to put each kind of material in a separate cell. Sometimes, however, you may want to embed a formula ...

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Mathematica handles formulas of all types, from polynomials with millions of terms to complex combinations of higher mathematical functions. It provides powerful general ...

■ [RootSum](#) (Built-in Mathematica Symbol)

`RootSum[f, form]` represents the sum of `form[x]` for all `x` that satisfy the polynomial equation `f[x] == 0`.

■ [Larger](#) (Built-in Mathematica Symbol)

`Larger` is a style or option setting that specifies that objects should be larger.

■ [Smaller](#) (Built-in Mathematica Symbol)

`Smaller` is a style or option setting that specifies that objects should be smaller.

■ [Rasterize](#) (Built-in Mathematica Symbol)

`Rasterize[g]` returns a rasterized graphic of `g`. `Rasterize[g, elem]` gives the element `elem` associated with the rasterized form of `g`.

■ [ScriptBaselineShifts](#) (Built-in Mathematica Symbol)

`ScriptBaselineShifts` is an option for `Style` which specifies the minimum distance in x-heights to shift subscripts and superscripts.

■ [TrigReduce](#) (Built-in Mathematica Symbol)

`TrigReduce[expr]` rewrites products and powers of trigonometric functions in `expr` in terms of trigonometric functions with combined arguments.

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Entering Formulas

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<i>character</i>	<i>short form</i>	<i>long form</i>	<i>symbol</i>
π	ESC p ESC	\[Pi]	Pi
∞	ESC inf ESC	\[Infinity]	Infinity
$^\circ$	ESC deg ESC	\[Degree]	Degree

Special forms for some common symbols.

This is equivalent to `sin [60 Degree]`.

```
In[1]:= Sin [60 °]
```

$$\text{Out[1]} = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}$$

Here is the long form of the input.

```
In[2]:= Sin [60 °]
```

$$\text{Out[2]} = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}$$

You can enter the same input like this.

```
In[3]:= Sin [60 :deg:]
```

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Scroll down and explore

**Find instructions how to type
long summation.**

You should realize that even though a summation sign can look almost identical to a capital sigma it is treated in a very different way by *Mathematica*. The point is that a sigma is just a letter; but a summation sign is an operator which tells *Mathematica* to perform a `Sum` operation.

Capital sigma is just a letter.

In[13]:= `a + Σ ^ 2`

Out[13]= $a + \Sigma^2$

A summation sign, on the other hand, is an operator.

In[14]:= `Esc sum Esc Ctrl++ n=0 Ctrl+% m Ctrl+Space 1/f [n]`

Out[14]= $\sum_{n=0}^m \frac{1}{f[n]}$

Much as *Mathematica* distinguishes between a summation sign and a capital sigma, it also distinguishes between an ordinary d , the "partial d" ∂ that is used for taking derivatives, and the special "differential d" d that is used in the standard notation for integrals. It is crucial that you use the differential d —entered as `Esc dd Esc`—when you type in an integral. If you try to use an ordinary d , *Mathematica* will just interpret this as a symbol called d —it will not understand that you are entering the second part of an integration operator.

This computes the derivative of x^n .

In[15]:= `d x^n`

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That's it for now.