

Function: Octonion:-overion - display information about the current version of the 'Octonion' package

Calling Sequence:

overion();

Parameters:

no parameters needed

Description:

- Procedure 'overion' displays information about the current version of the 'Octonion' package.
- The 'Octonion' package must be loaded after the 'CLIFFORD' package has been loaded. Therefore, in order to avoid confusion with the procedure [Clifford:-version](#), this procedure is called 'overion'.
- To display 'CLIFFORD' and 'Octonion' environmental variables, use procedure [Clifford:-CLIFFORD_ENV](#).
- To multiply octonionic matrices, see [Clifford:-rmulm](#).

Examples:

```
> restart:with(Clifford):with(Octonion);  
[Phi, associator, commutator, def_omutable, o_conjug, oinv, omul, omutable, onorm,  
  overion, purevectorpart, realpart]  
> version(); #current version of CLIFFORD
```

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CLIFFORD - A Maple 12 Package for Clifford Algebras with "Bigebra"  
(Version 12 with environmental variables given by CLIFFORD_ENV())  
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If you are a Clifford algebra pro, assign 'true' to '_prolevel' and see how much faster your computations will be! But watch your syntax! Use 'useproduct' to change value of _default_Clifford_product in Cl(B) from cmulRS when B is symbolic to cmulNUM when B is numeric. Type ?cmul for help. Type CLIFFORD_ENV() to see current values of environmental variables.

+++++++This is CLIFFORD version 12+++++++

> **oversion(); #current version of Octonion**

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'Octonion' - A Maple 12 Package for Computations with Octonions (version 12)

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- See Also: [omul](#)

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- Function: Octonion:-setup - the initialization procedure for the package 'Octonion'

Calling Sequence:

none

Parameters:

none

- Description:

- Procedure 'setup' is the initialization procedure for the 'Octonion' package. It is executed automatically when the package is loaded.
- At the time of loading, the following are defined:
 - `&o` - infix form for [omul](#), the octonionic multiplication
 - `_octbasis = [Id, e1, e2, e3, e4, e5, e6, e7]` - standard octonion basis as Maple global variable in `Cl(0,7)`
 - `_pureoctbasis = [e1, e2, e3, e4, e5, e6, e7]` - pure octonion basis as Maple global variable in `Cl(0,7)`
 - `_default_Fano_triples = [[1,3,7],[1,2,4],[1,5,6],[2,3,5],[2,6,7],[3,4,6],[4,5,7]]` - default Fano triples that define octonionic multiplication
 - `_default_squares = [-Id, -Id, -Id, -Id, -Id, -Id, -Id]` - default squares of the pure octonionic basis
- To see all environmental variables that are defined and used by 'CLIFFORD', use procedure [Clifford:-CLIFFORD_ENV](#).
- All procedures and types in 'Octonion' are protected.

- Examples:

```
> restart:with(Clifford):with(Octonion):
> CLIFFORD_ENV();

`>>> Global variables defined in Clifford:-setup are now available and have the
se values: <<<`
`***** Start *****`
dim_V = 9
_default_Clifford_product = Clifford:-cmulNUM
_prolevel = false
_shortcut_in_minimalideal = true
_shortcut_in_Kfield = true
_shortcut_in_spinorKbasis = true
_shortcut_in_spinorKrepr = true
_warnings_flag = true
_scalartypes = {``, RootOf, complex, indexed, numeric, constant, function, mat
hfunc, rational}
_quatbasis = [[Id, e3we2, e1we3, e2we1], {`Maple has assigned qi:=-e2we3, qj:=e
1we3, qk:=-e1we2`}]
```

```
`***** End *****`
```

Cliplus has been loaded. Definitions for type/climon and type/clipolynom now include &C and &C[K]. Type ?cliprod for help.

```
`>>> Global variables defined in Cliplus:-setup are now available and have these values: <<<`
```

```
`***** Start *****`
```

```
macro(Clifford:-cmul = climul)
macro(Clifford:-cmulQ = climul)
macro(`&c` = climul)
macro(`&cQ` = climul)
macro(Clifford:-reversion = clirev)
macro(Clifford:-LC = LCbig)
macro(Clifford:-RC = RCbig)
```

```
`Warning, new definitions for type/climon and type/clipolynom now include &C`
`***** End *****`
```

```
`***** Start *****`
```

```
`>>> There are no new global variables or macros in GTP yet. <<<`
```

```
`***** End *****`
```

```
`>>> Global variables defined in Octonion:-setup are now available and have these values: <<<`
```

```
`***** Start *****`
```

```
_octbasis = [Id, e1, e2, e3, e4, e5, e6, e7]
_pureoctbasis = [e1, e2, e3, e4, e5, e6, e7]
_default_Fano_triples = [[1, 3, 7], [1, 2, 4], [1, 5, 6], [2, 3, 5], [2, 6, 7],
[3, 4, 6], [4, 5, 7]]
_default_squares = [-Id, -Id, -Id, -Id, -Id, -Id, -Id]
_default_Clifford_product = Clifford:-cmulNUM
`***** End *****`
```

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 **See Also:** [`type/Fano_triples`](#), [omultable](#), [omul](#)

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- **Function:** Octonion:-associator - returns the associator value of three octonions,
Octonion:-commutator - returns the commutator value of two octonions
Octonion:-Phi - associative 3-form of three octonions

Calling Sequence:

```
associator(p1,p2,p3);
commutator(p1,p2);
Phi(p1,p2,p2);
```

Parameters:

p1, p2, p3 - polynomials of type 'octonion'

Description:

- The associator of three octonions p1, p2, and p3 is defined as:

$$\text{associator}(p1,p2,p3) = (p1 \ \&o \ p2) \ \&o \ p3 - p1 \ \&o \ (p2 \ \&o \ p3).$$

- The commutator of two octonions p1 and p2 is defined as:

$$\text{commutator}(p1,p2) = p1 \ \&o \ p2 - p2 \ \&o \ p1.$$

- The associative 3-form Phi of three octonions is defined as:

$$\text{Phi}(p1,p2,p3) = (1/2)*\text{realpart}(p1 \ \&o \ (p2_bar \ \&o \ p3) - p3 \ \&o \ (p2_bar \ \&o \ p1))$$

where p2_bar = o_conjug(p2).

- For information about type 'octonion' see [`type/octonion`](#).

Examples:

```
> restart:with(Clifford):with(Octonion);
[Phi, associator, commutator, def_omultable, o_conjug, oinv, omul, omultable, onorm,
 overversion, purevectorpart, realpart]
> p1:=1-2*e1+e4+3*e6-e7;p2:=2-e1+e3+2*e6-e7;p3:=2*e2+e3+3*e5-e6;
      p1 := 1 - 2 e1 + e4 + 3 e6 - e7
      p2 := 2 - e1 + e3 + 2 e6 - e7
      p3 := 2 e2 + e3 + 3 e5 - e6
> type(p1, octonion); type(p2, octonion); type(p3, octonion);
Cliplus has been loaded. Definitions for type/climon and type/clipolynom now in
clude &C and &C[K]. Type ?cliprod for help.
```

true

true

true

[Octonion multiplication is not associative:

[> **associator**(p1,p2,p3) ;

$-8 e_1 - 2 e_2 + 20 e_3 + 14 e_4 - 6 e_5 - 2 e_6 + 24 e_7$

[However, when p1, p2, and p3 are considered as elements in the Clifford algebra Cl(0,7), which is associative, we get:

[> **(p1 &c p2) &c p3 - p1 &c (p2 &c p3) ;**

0

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[> **Phi**(p1,p2,p3) ;

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 **See Also:** [Clifford:-`&c`](#), [def_omultable](#), [omultable](#), [omul](#)

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 **See Also:** [Clifford:-`&c`](#), [def_omultable](#), [omultable](#), [omul](#)

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- Function: Octonion:-def_omultable - define octonionic multiplication table

Calling Sequence:

def_omultable(F);

Parameters:

F - a list of type `Fano_triples`

- Description:

- Procedure 'def_omultable' allows user to define an octonionic multiplication table which could be different than the default one.
- The default multiplication table is initialized at the time when the 'OCTONION' package is being loaded. It can also be re-defined by issuing the following command:

```
>def_omultable(_default_Fano_triples);
```

where _default_Fano_triples is a global list with default Fano triples. See [`type/Fano_triples`](#) for more information.

- Use [omultable](#) to display currently defined multiplication table.
- Use [Clifford:-CLIFFORD_ENV](#) to display current environmental variables used by 'CLIFFORD' and 'Octonion'.

- Examples:

```
> restart:with(Clifford):with(Octonion);  
[  $\Phi$ , associator, commutator, def_omultable, o_conjug, oinv, omul, omultable, onorm,  
  overversion, purevectorpart, realpart ]
```

```
> omultable(); #default multiplication table
```

$-Id$	$e4$	$e7$	$-e2$	$e6$	$-e5$	$-e3$
$-e4$	$-Id$	$e5$	$e1$	$-e3$	$e7$	$-e6$
$-e7$	$-e5$	$-Id$	$e6$	$e2$	$-e4$	$e1$
$e2$	$-e1$	$-e6$	$-Id$	$e7$	$e3$	$-e5$
$-e6$	$e3$	$-e2$	$-e7$	$-Id$	$e1$	$e4$
$e5$	$-e7$	$e4$	$-e3$	$-e1$	$-Id$	$e2$
$e3$	$e6$	$-e1$	$e5$	$-e4$	$-e2$	$-Id$

[For example, we get the first row as follows:

```
> seq(e1 &o e||i,i=1..7);  
-Id, e4, e7, -e2, e6, -e5, -e3
```

[The second row we get as follows:

```
> seq(e2 &o e||i,i=1..7);  
-e4, -Id, e5, e1, -e3, e7, -e6
```

and so on.

Multiplication table can be erased as follows:

```
[ > subsop(4=NULL,eval(omul)) :
```

```
[ > omultable() ;
```

```
Octonion multiplication table is not currently defined. Use 'def_omultable' to  
define a new table.
```

Finally, we re-initialize the table using the default Fano triples:

```
[ > _default_Fano_triples;
```

```
[[1, 3, 7], [1, 2, 4], [1, 5, 6], [2, 3, 5], [2, 6, 7], [3, 4, 6], [4, 5, 7]]
```

```
[ > def_omultable(_default_Fano_triples);
```

```
[ > omultable() ;
```

$$\begin{bmatrix} -Id & e4 & e7 & -e2 & e6 & -e5 & -e3 \\ -e4 & -Id & e5 & e1 & -e3 & e7 & -e6 \\ -e7 & -e5 & -Id & e6 & e2 & -e4 & e1 \\ e2 & -e1 & -e6 & -Id & e7 & e3 & -e5 \\ -e6 & e3 & -e2 & -e7 & -Id & e1 & e4 \\ e5 & -e7 & e4 & -e3 & -e1 & -Id & e2 \\ e3 & e6 & -e1 & e5 & -e4 & -e2 & -Id \end{bmatrix}$$

However, the following is another valid list of Fano triples:

```
[ > new_Fano_triples:=[[6,2,5],[6,3,4],[6,7,1],[2,3,7],[3,1,5],[2,4  
,1],[4,5,7]];
```

```
new_Fano_triples := [[6, 2, 5], [6, 3, 4], [6, 7, 1], [2, 3, 7], [3, 1, 5], [2, 4, 1], [4, 5, 7]]
```

```
[ > type(new_Fano_triples,Fano_triples) ;
```

```
true
```

```
[ > def_omultable(new_Fano_triples) ;
```

```
[ > omultable() ;
```

$$\begin{bmatrix} -Id & e4 & -e5 & -e2 & e3 & e7 & -e6 \\ -e4 & -Id & e7 & e1 & e6 & -e5 & -e3 \\ e5 & -e7 & -Id & e6 & -e1 & -e4 & e2 \\ e2 & -e1 & -e6 & -Id & e7 & e3 & -e5 \\ -e3 & -e6 & e1 & -e7 & -Id & e2 & e4 \\ -e7 & e5 & e4 & -e3 & -e2 & -Id & e1 \\ e6 & e3 & -e2 & e5 & -e4 & -e1 & -Id \end{bmatrix}$$

which is a different multiplication table than before.

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```

 See Also: [`type/Fano_triples`](#), [omultable](#), [omul](#)

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