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1. (i) Get all details about routine **solve**.  
(ii) Get a list of all Maxima names that contain the substring **solve**.
2. (i) Compute the first 500 digits of  $\pi$ .  
(ii) Reset the precision of big float arithmetic.
3. (i) Store the so-called golden ration,  $\frac{1}{2}(1 + \sqrt{5})$ , in variable **gr**.  
(ii) Compute its numerical value.
4. (i) Define a function **heron(a,b,c)** that computes the area of a triangle with sides **a**, **b**, and **c** by means of Herons formula

$$\text{Area} = \frac{1}{4} \sqrt{(a^2 + b^2 + c^2)^2 - 2(a^4 + b^4 + c^4)}.$$

- (ii) Define function **ln** that computes the natural logarithm.
  - (iii) List all your variables and functions.
  - (iv) Remove all your variable and function definitions.
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5. Find the numerical values of the followings:

- (i)  $\frac{1}{23} + \frac{3}{43} - 78$
  - (ii)  $3^7 + \sqrt{37} + \frac{7}{13}$
  - (iii)  $e^7 + \cos \pi/3 - \sin \pi/8$
  - (iv)  $\log_2 5 + \log_3 7 + \log_5 9$
  - (v)  $\sqrt{5} + \log_4 5 + \frac{1}{13}$
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6. Let  $a = 4 + 7i$  and  $b = 6 - 4i$ , find

- (i)  $a + b$
- (ii)  $a - b$
- (iii)  $a \times b$
- (iv) Absolute value of  $a$
- (v) Cojugate of  $a$
- (vi) Imaginary part of  $a$
- (vii) Real part of  $a$
- (viii) Polar form of  $a$

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