

# Number lists

## Overview

The **Number list data type** is an ordered list of numbers. This data type is returned, among others, by functions that return values of number fields in a selection of issues (**linked issues**, **sub-tasks**, and **sub-sets**).

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## Fixed values

A **number list** can also be written in literal form using the following format: `[number, number, ...]`.



### Example

A number list with 5 elements: `[1, -2, 3, 3.14, 2.71]`

## Number list functions

The following functions are intended to build expressions that return **number lists** or **numbers**.

Function	Input	Returned value
<code>filterByCardinality</code> (number list <b>I</b> , comparison operator <b>operator</b> , number <b>n</b> )	<code>NUMBER [I]</code> <code>NUMBER</code>	Returns a <code>NUMBER [I]</code> whose cardinality (i.e., the number of times it appears in list <b>I</b> ) satisfies the comparison cardinality <b>operator n</b> . Available comparison operators: <code>=</code> , <code>!=</code> , <code>&lt;</code> , <code>&lt;=</code> , <code>&gt;</code> and <code>&gt;=</code> . Example: <code>filterByCardinality([1, 1, 2, 3, 4, 4, 4, 5], &gt;, 1)</code> returns the following number list: <code>[1, 4]</code> .
<code>filterByValue</code> (number list <b>I</b> , comparison operator <b>operator</b> , number <b>n</b> )	<code>NUMBER [I]</code> <code>NUMBER</code>	Returns a <code>NUMBER [I]</code> satisfying the comparison <code>number_in_list operator n</code> . Example: <code>filterByValue([1, 2, 3, 10, 11, 25, 100], &gt;, 10)</code> returns the list of numbers greater than <b>10</b> , i.e., <code>[11, 25, 100]</code> .
<code>filterByPredicate</code> (number list <b>I</b> , boolean expression <b>predicate</b> )	<code>NUMBER [I]</code> <code>BOOLEAN</code>	Returns a <code>NUMBER [I]</code> that validates a predicate. Argument <b>predicate</b> is a boolean expression, where <code>^</code> is used for referencing numeric values in argument <b>I</b> . Example: <code>filterByPredicate([1, 2, 3, 4], ^ &gt; 2)</code> returns values greater than <b>2</b> , i.e., <code>[3, 4]</code> . Example: <code>filterByPredicate([1, 2, 3, 4], remainder(^, 2) = 0)</code> returns even values, i.e., <code>[2, 4]</code> .
<code>append</code> (number list <b>I</b> , number list <b>m</b> )	<code>NUMBER [I]</code>	Returns a <code>NUMBER [I]</code> with all numbers in arguments <b>I</b> and <b>m</b> . Duplicated numbers may appear in output. Use function <code>union(I, m)</code> instead, if you want to avoid repetitions. Example: <code>append([1, 2, 3], [3, 4, 5])</code> returns <code>[1, 2, 3, 3, 4, 5]</code> . Example: <code>append(fieldValue({00025}, linkedIssues("is blocked by")), fieldValue({00025}, subtasks()))</code> returns a list of numbers with <b>Total Time Spent (in minutes)</b> in blocking issues and sub-tasks. This number list can be summed using function <code>sum()</code> .
<code>union</code> (number list <b>I</b> , number list <b>m</b> )	<code>NUMBER [I]</code>	Returns a <code>NUMBER [I]</code> with all numbers in argument <b>I</b> or in argument <b>m</b> without duplicated numbers. Example: <code>union([1, 2, 3], [3, 4, 5])</code> returns <code>[1, 2, 3, 4, 5]</code> .

<code>except(number list I, number list m )</code>	<code>NUMBER []</code>	Returns a <code>NUMBER []</code> with all numbers in argument <code>I</code> which are not in argument <code>m</code> . Duplicated numbers in <code>I</code> may appear in output. Use function <code>distinct()</code> to remove them if you need to. Example: <code>except([1, 2, 3, 4, 5], [2, 4])</code> returns <code>[1, 3, 5]</code> .
<code>intersect(number list I, number list m )</code>	<code>NUMBER []</code>	Returns a <code>NUMBER []</code> with all numbers in argument <code>I</code> and <code>m</code> simultaneously. Example: <code>intersect([1, 2, 3, 4, 5], [9, 7, 5, 3, 1])</code> returns <code>[1, 3, 5]</code> .
<code>distinct(number list I)</code>	<code>NUMBER []</code>	Returns a <code>NUMBER []</code> with all numbers in list <code>I</code> without any duplication. Example: <code>distinct([1, 2, 1, 3, 4, 4, 5])</code> returns <code>[1, 2, 3, 4, 5]</code> . Example: <code>distinct(fieldValue({...duedate}), linkedIssues("is cloned by"))</code> returns a list of dates containing due dates of cloning issues, with only one occurrence per due date, although more than one issue may share the same due date.
<code>count(number list I )</code>	<code>NUMBER []</code>	Returns the <code>NUMBER</code> of numeric values in <code>I</code> . Example: <code>count([1, 1, 2, 2])</code> returns <code>4</code> . Example: <code>count(subtasks()) - count(fieldValue({...duedate}), subtasks())</code> returns the number of sub-tasks with field "Due Date" unset.
<code>count(number n, number list I)</code>	<code>NUMBER</code> <code>NUMBER []</code>	Returns the <code>NUMBER</code> of times <code>n</code> appears in <code>I</code> . Example: <code>count(1, [1, 1, 2, 2, 1, 0])</code> returns <code>3</code> .
<code>sum(number list I)</code>	<code>NUMBER []</code>	Returns the sum of <code>NUMBER</code> values in <code>I</code> . Example: <code>sum([1, 2, 3, 4, 5])</code> returns <code>15</code> . Example: <code>sum(fieldValue({00025}), subtasks())</code> returns the total time spent in minutes in all sub-tasks of current issue.
<code>avg(number list I)</code>	<code>NUMBER []</code>	Returns the arithmetic mean of <code>NUMBER</code> values in <code>I</code> . Example: <code>avg([1, 2, 3, 4, 5])</code> returns <code>3</code> . Example: <code>avg(fieldValue({00024}), linkedIssues("is blocked by"))</code> returns the mean of remaining times in minutes among blocking issues.
<code>max(number list I)</code>	<code>NUMBER []</code>	Returns the maximum <code>NUMBER</code> value in <code>I</code> . Example: <code>max([1, 2, 5, 4, 3])</code> returns <code>5</code> . Example: <code>max(fieldValue({00024}), linkedIssues("is blocked by"))</code> returns the maximum remaining times in minutes among blocking issues.
<code>min(number list I)</code>	<code>NUMBER []</code>	Returns the minimum <code>NUMBER</code> value in <code>I</code> . Example: <code>min([2, 1, 5, 4, 3])</code> returns <code>1</code> . Example: <code>min(fieldValue({00024}), linkedIssues("is blocked by"))</code> returns the minimum remaining times in minutes among blocking issues.
<code>first(number list I)</code>	<code>NUMBER []</code>	Returns <code>NUMBER</code> of the first element in number list <code>I</code> , or <code>null</code> if <code>I</code> is an empty list. Example: <code>first([3, 2, 1, 0])</code> returns <code>3</code> .
<code>last(number list I)</code>	<code>NUMBER []</code>	Returns <code>NUMBER</code> of the last element in number list <code>I</code> , or <code>null</code> if <code>I</code> is an empty list. Example: <code>last([3, 2, 1, 0])</code> returns <code>0</code> .
<code>nthElement(number list I, number n )</code>	<code>NUMBER []</code> <code>NUMBER</code>	Returns <code>NUMBER</code> element at position <code>n</code> in number list <code>I</code> , where <code>n &gt;= 1</code> and <code>n &lt;= count(I)</code> . Returns null if <code>n</code> is greater than the number of elements in <code>I</code> . Example: <code>nthElement([5, 6, 7, 8], 3)</code> returns <code>7</code> .

<code>getMatchingValue(string key, string list key_list, number list value_list)</code>	<span style="background-color: #ffcc00; border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px;">STRING</span> <span style="background-color: #d9e1f2; border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px;">NUMBER []</span> <span style="background-color: #ffffcc; border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px;">STRING []</span>	Returns <span style="background-color: #d9e1f2; border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px;">NUMBER</span> in <b>value_list</b> that is in the same position as string key is in <b>key_list</b> , or in case key doesn't exist in <b>key_list</b> and <b>value_list</b> has more elements than <b>key_list</b> , the element of <b>value_list</b> in position <code>count(key_list) + 1</code> . Example: <code>getMatchingValue("Three", ["One", "Two", "Three", "Four", "Five"], [1, 1+1, 3*1, 4, 4+1])</code> returns 3.
<code>getMatchingValue(string key, string list key_list, number list value_list)</code>	<span style="background-color: #d9e1f2; border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px;">NUMBER []</span> <span style="background-color: #ffffcc; border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px;">STRING []</span>	Returns <span style="background-color: #d9e1f2; border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px;">NUMBER</span> value in <b>value_list</b> that is in the same position as numeric key is in <b>key_list</b> , or in case key doesn't exist in <b>key_list</b> and <b>value_list</b> has more elements than <b>key_list</b> , the element of <b>value_list</b> in position <code>count(key_list) + 1</code> . Example: <code>getMatchingValue(5, [1, 3, 5, 7, 9], [1, 1+1, 3*1, 4, 4+1])</code> returns 3.
<code>sublist(number list l, number indexFrom, number indexTo)</code>	<span style="background-color: #d9e1f2; border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px;">NUMBER []</span>	Returns a <span style="background-color: #d9e1f2; border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px;">NUMBER []</span> with elements in <b>l</b> from <b>indexFrom</b> index to <b>indexTo</b> index. Having <b>indexFrom &gt;= 1</b> and <b>indexFrom &lt;= count(l)</b> and <b>indexTo &gt;= 1</b> and <b>indexTo &lt;= count(l)</b> and <b>indexFrom &lt;= indexTo</b> . Example: <code>sublist([1, 2, 3, 4, 5], 2, 4)</code> returns [2, 3, 4].
<code>indexOf(number element, number list l)</code>	<span style="background-color: #d9e1f2; border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px;">NUMBER</span> <span style="background-color: #d9e1f2; border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px;">NUMBER []</span>	Returns the index of <span style="background-color: #d9e1f2; border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px;">NUMBER</span> value element in number list <b>l</b> . Zero is returned when element is not found in <b>l</b> . Example: <code>indexOf(1, [5, 2, 1, 4, 1])</code> returns 3.
<code>sort(number list l, order)</code>	<span style="background-color: #d9e1f2; border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px;">NUMBER []</span>	Returns a <span style="background-color: #d9e1f2; border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px;">NUMBER []</span> with elements in <b>l</b> sorted in specified order. Available orders are <b>ASC</b> (for ascending order) and <b>DESC</b> (for descending order). Example: <code>sort([2, 4, 3, 1], ASC)</code> returns [1, 2, 3, 4].
<code>textOnNumberList(number list numbers, string text_expression)</code>	<span style="background-color: #d9e1f2; border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px;">NUMBER []</span> <span style="background-color: #ffcc00; border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px;">STRING</span>	Returns a <span style="background-color: #d9e1f2; border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px;">STRING []</span> resulting of evaluating <b>text_expression</b> against each of the numeric values in argument <b>numbers</b> . Argument <b>text_expression</b> is an expression that returns a <b>string</b> , where <b>^</b> represents each numeric value in argument <b>numbers</b> . Example: <code>textOnNumberList([1, 2, 3, 4, 5], substring("smile", 0, ^))</code> returns string list ["s", "sm", "smi", "smil", "smile"].
<code>mathOnNumberList(number list numbers, number math_time_expression)</code>	<span style="background-color: #d9e1f2; border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px;">NUMBER []</span>	Returns a <span style="background-color: #d9e1f2; border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px;">NUMBER []</span> resulting of evaluating <b>math_time_expression</b> against each of the numeric values in argument <b>numbers</b> . Argument <b>math_time_expression</b> is a math/time expression, where <b>^</b> represents each numeric value in argument <b>numbers</b> . Example: <code>mathOnNumberList([1, 2, 3, 4, 5], ^ * 2)</code> returns number list [2, 4, 6, 8, 10].