

# Evaluating an expression

You can use the following API to evaluate an expression

```
object evaluate(String expression)
object evaluate(String language, String expression)
```

The following code fragment shows how to evaluate expressions in ALH API

```
result = ALH.evaluate("a+b");
ALH.setValue($context$, "display", result);
```

If no language is defined, the default language will be used (JavaScript Rhino).