# CoCoA-5 - Design #363

## Colon operator, 2nd arg

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#### Description

Currently CoCoA-5 accepts syntactically the following input

A:-B;

which is interpreted as A:(-B); which is not what I wanted
Of course, I had meant to type A:=B; but erred. I suggest that the only valid 2nd args for the colon operator be

- a variable (possibly indexed) e.g. I:J or I:J[2]
- a bracketed expression e.g. I:(J1+J2)
- a function call e.g. I:ideal(x,y)

Comments? Ideas?

### History

#### #1 - 12 Jun 2013 16:00 - Anna Maria Bigatti

- Category set to Incomplete function

#### #2 - 02 Apr 2014 17:34 - Anna Maria Bigatti

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