LaTeX Template and Tutorial for Math Modelers

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Abstract

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1 Introduction

Here are some typesetting features you may want to use when writing up your classwork, or the mathematics in your class summary. If you want to type a paragraph of text, simply start typing.

To start a new paragraph, leave a blank line before the new paragraph.

Here's a bullet list of some of the math symbols you may need. Note that any math formulas must be surrounded by dollar signs, like so: $H(s,t) = F(\alpha(s),t)$. If you surround a math formula by double dollar signs, your formula will be centered on a line by itself, like so:

$$H(s,t) = F(\alpha(s),t).$$

Whatever you type afterwards will begin again on a separate line.

- Greek letters: $\alpha, \gamma, \pi, \tau$
- product of two sets $X \times Y$
- Intersections \cap , unions \cup , and disjoint unions \sqcup
- italics and bold
- related to: \sim , homotopic to \simeq , and isomorphic to \cong
- Fractions which fit inside a paragraph of text: $\frac{az+b}{cz+d}$, and bigger fractions: $\frac{az+b}{cz+d}$
- Subscripts and exponents: $z_1, w^2, z_2^3, f_*(x), p^{-1}(b)$
- Derivatives: f'(x), integrals $\int_a^b f(x) dx$, and limits $\lim_{n\to\infty} a_n$ or $\lim_{n\to\infty} a_n$
- Not equals: $c \neq 0$, or greater than / less than or equal: $c \geq 0$, $x \leq 17$
- functions defined in pieces:

$$p(x) = \begin{cases} x & \text{for } x \in [0, 1] \\ x - 1 & \text{for } x \in [2, 3] \end{cases}$$

- Left quotes " and right quotes "
- Composition: $g \circ f$, and multiplication: $g \cdot f$
- Left and Right Set Brackets need a backslash: $\{x: p(x) = b\}$
- Is an element of: $b \in B$
- \mathbb{R} , \mathbb{S}^2 , \mathbb{T}^2 , \mathbb{Z}

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• To put a word in with a string of math symbols, use mbox: $f \sim g \text{ rel } A$, otherwise, it looks like: $f \sim grel A$.

- $p|_{\widetilde{U}}$
- group presentation: $\langle a, b : ab\overline{a} \rangle$
- A lot of symbols you might want to know are just what you think they might be, preceded by a backslash: $\cos \theta, \not\in, \rightarrow, \mapsto, \Leftrightarrow, \longrightarrow, \subset, \subseteq$

There are nice, pre-written environments for Theorems and Proofs, as below:

Theorem (Unique Path Lifting Property) Here's where you type in the text of the theorem.

Proof: And this is where you type in the proof!

Lemma Here's where you put the body of a lemma.

You might also want to write up the following things:

- 1. A numbered list,
- 2. or a sequence of equations, lined up at the equals sign...

$$d(z_1, z_2) = \int_{z_1}^{z_2} \frac{1}{t} dt$$

$$= \ln(z_2) - \ln(z_1) \quad \text{by the Fund Thm of Calc}$$

$$= \ln\left(\frac{z_1}{z_2}\right)$$

3. or some Commutative Diagrams...

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
\mathbb{S}^2 & \xrightarrow{g} & \mathbb{S}^2 \\
\mathbb{S} \downarrow & & \downarrow \mathbb{S} \\
\mathbb{R}^2 & \xrightarrow{f} & \mathbb{R}^2
\end{array}$$

4. or a Table...

Column A	Column B
$T^2 \# S^2$	$P^2 \# P^2$
K^2	$K^2 \# P^2$
$S^2 \# S^2 \# S^2$	$S^2 \# S^2$
$P^2 \# T^2$	$P^2 \# P^2 \# P^2 \# K^2$
$K^2 \# T^2 \# P^2$	T^2

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5. or a picture, such as in Figure 1 (you will need to use a .eps graphics file for Windows, and a .pdf graphics file for Mac).

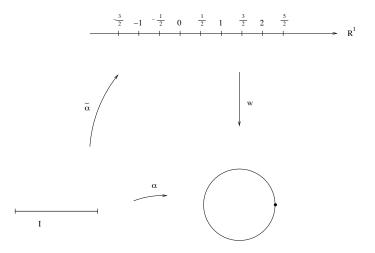


Figure 1: Lifting the circle to its universal cover

6. ...and you can always ask me *before the contest starts* if you need to typeset something that I haven't included here.

(You might want to save this document somewhere – even just email it to yourself – in case some day you decide you want to use LATEX to typeset something else.)

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2 Now You Try It!

2.1 Assumptions

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2.1.1 Approach

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3 The Model

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4 Solutions

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5 Solution Comparison Methods

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6 Results

7 Conclusion - Strengths and Weaknesses

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