

# **LaTeX commands that can help when typing relational algebra expressions**

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# Some LaTeX Commands

Symbol/Expression	LaTeX command	Notes
$\sigma_c$	<code>\sigma_{c}</code>	Selection operator. Var c can be any string, as long as it is between {}
$\rho$	<code>\rho</code>	Renaming operator
$\pi_{attr1,attr2}$	<code>\pi_{attr1,attr2}</code>	Projection operator. Any string between {} will be typed in the same location as attr1.attr2
$\times$	<code>\times</code>	Cross Product
$\bowtie$	<code>\Join</code>	Join
$\bowtie_c$	<code>\Join_{c}</code>	c, can be any string, as long as it is between {}
$\cup$	<code>\cup</code>	Union
$\cap$	<code>\cap</code>	Intersection
$-$	<code>-</code>	Set-difference

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V	\vee	OR
^	\wedge	AND
¬	\neg	NOT
/	/	Division
÷	\div	Division (other notation)

# Note

- If instead of using LaTeX, you use Word and insert equations, there are some differences for some of these commands. For example, to write  $\pi$  sub condition (e.g.  $\pi_{name,address}$ ), the `_ {name,address}` will not work. Also, in Word `\Join` is replaced by `\bowtie` . Always check and make sure the displayed expression looks as expected.