

Chapter III-1 — Notebooks

The following table illustrates the use and effects of each of these items.

Action	Effect on Character Properties	Result
Type "XYZ".		XYZ
Highlight "Y" and then choose Superscript.	Reduces text size and sets vertical offset for "Y".	X ^Y Z
Highlight "Z" and then choose Superscript.	Sets text size and vertical offset for "Z" to make it superscript relative to "Y".	X ^Y Z ^Z
Highlight "Z" and then choose In Line.	Sets text size and vertical offset for "Z" to be same as for "Y".	X ^Y Z ^Y
Highlight "YZ" and then choose Normal.	Sets text size for "YZ" same as "X" and sets vertical offset to zero.	XYZ

Help Links in Formatted Notebooks

You can format text as a help link by selecting the text and clicking the Help button in the ruler. Usually you do this while editing a help file.

Clicking text in a notebook that is formatted as a help link goes to the specified help topic. This allows you to easily link to help topics from a documentation notebook. The help link text must reference a topic or subtopic in a help file; the target can not be in a notebook.

Since simply clicking a help link in a notebook activates the link, to edit a help link you need to do one of the following:

- Use the arrow keys instead of simply clicking in the help link
- Press the command key (*Macintosh*) or Ctrl key (*Windows*) while clicking in the help link
- Select at least one character instead of simply clicking in the help link

Notebook Read/Write Properties

There are three properties that control whether a notebook can be modified.

Read-only

The read-only property is set if you open the file for read-only by executing **OpenNotebook/R**. It is also set if you open a file for which you do not have read/write permission.

When the read-only property is set, a lock icon appears in the bottom/left corner of the notebook window and you can not modify the notebook manually or via commands.

The read-only property can not be changed after the notebook is opened.

Use read-only if you want no modifications to be made to the notebook.

Write-protect

You can set the write-protect property to on or off by clicking the pencil icon in the bottom/left corner of the notebook window or using the **Notebook** operation with the writeProtect keyword.

The write-protect property is intended to give the user a way to prevent inadvertent manual modifications to the notebook. The user can turn the property on or off at will.