

# **omtext**: Semantic Markup for Mathematical Text Fragments in L<sup>A</sup>T<sub>E</sub>X\*

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## **Abstract**

The **omtext** package is part of the sT<sub>E</sub>X collection, a version of T<sub>E</sub>X/L<sup>A</sup>T<sub>E</sub>X that allows to markup T<sub>E</sub>X/L<sup>A</sup>T<sub>E</sub>X documents semantically without leaving the document format, essentially turning T<sub>E</sub>X/L<sup>A</sup>T<sub>E</sub>X into a document format for mathematical knowledge management (MKM).

This package supplies an infrastructure for writing OMDoc text fragments in L<sup>A</sup>T<sub>E</sub>X.

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# 1 Introduction

The `omtext` package supplies macros and environment that allow to mark up mathematical texts in  $\text{\LaTeX}$ , a version of  $\text{\TeX}$ / $\text{\LaTeX}$  that allows to markup  $\text{\TeX}$ / $\text{\LaTeX}$  documents semantically without leaving the document format, essentially turning  $\text{\TeX}$ / $\text{\LaTeX}$  into a document format for mathematical knowledge management (MKM). The package supports direct translation to the OMDoc format [Koh06]

## 2 The User Interface

### 2.1 Package Options

`showmeta` The `omtext` package takes a single option: `showmeta`. If this is set, then the metadata keys are shown (see [Koh15a] for details and customization options).

### 2.2 Mathematical Text

`omtext` The `omtext` environment is used for any text fragment that has a contribution to a text that needs to be marked up. It can have a title, which can be specified via the `title=` key. Often it is also helpful to annotate the `type` key. The standard relations from rhetorical structure theory `abstract`, `introduction`, `conclusion`, `thesis`, `comment`, `antithesis`, `elaboration`, `motivation`, `evidence`, `transition`, `note`, `annotate` are recommended as values. Note that some of them are unary relations like `introduction`, which calls for a target. In this case, a target using the `for=` key should be specified. The `transition` relation is special in that it is binary (a “transition between two statements”), so additionally, a source should be specified using the `from=` key.

Note that the values of the `title` and `type` keys are often displayed in the text. This can be turned off by setting the `display` key to the value `flow`. Sometimes we want to specify that a text is a continuation of another, this can be done by giving the identifier of this in the `continues=` key.

Finally, there is a set of keys that pertain to the mathematical formulae in the text. The `functions` key allows to specify a list of identifiers that are to be interpreted as functions in the generate content markup. The `theory` specifies a module (see [KGA15a]) that is to be pre-loaded in this one<sup>1</sup> Finally, `verbalizes=` specifies a (more) formal statement (see [Koh15b]) that this text verbalizes or paraphrases.<sup>2</sup>

### 2.3 Phrase-Level Markup

`\phrase` The `phrase` macro allows to mark up phrases with semantic information. It takes an optional `KeyVal` argument with the keys `verbalizes` and `type` as above and `style`, `class`, `index` that are disregarded in the  $\text{\LaTeX}$ , but copied into the gen-

<sup>1</sup>EDNOTE: this is not implemented yet.

<sup>2</sup>EDNOTE: MK:specify the form of the reference.

erated content markup.

`\nlex` We use the `\nlex{<phrase>}` for marking up phrases that serve as natural  
`\nlcex` language examples and `\nlcex{<phrase>}` for counter-examples (utterances that  
are not acceptable for some reason). In natural language examples, we sometimes  
use “co-reference markers” to specify the resolution of anaphora and the like. We  
`\coreft` use the `\coreft{<phrase>}{<mark>}` to mark up the “target” of a co-reference and  
`\corefs` analogously `\corefs` for coreference source – e.g. for an anaphoric reference. The  
usage is the following:

```
\nlex{If \coreft{a farmer}1 owns \coreft{a donkey}2,
      \corefs{he}2 beats \corefs{it}2.}
```

is formatted to

*If a farmer<sup>1</sup> owns a donkey<sup>2</sup>, he<sub>2</sub> beats it<sub>2</sub>.*

`\sinlinequote` The `\sinlinequote` macro allows to mark up quotes inline and attribute them.  
The quote itself is given as the argument, possibly preceded by the a specification  
of the source in a an optional argument. For instance, we would quote Hamlet  
with

```
\sinlinequote[Hamlet, \cite{Shak:1603:Hamlet}]{To be or not to be}
```

which would appear as “*To be or not to be*” Hamlet, (Shakespeare 1603) in the  
text. The style in which inline quotations appear in the text can be adapted

`\@sinlinequote` by specializing the macros `\@sinlinequote` — for quotations without source and  
`\@@sinlinequote` `\@@sinlinequote` — for quotations with source.

## 2.4 Declarations (under development)

Declarations are special phrases that carry a lot of meaning in mathematics: they  
introduce and further specify the indentifiers available in formulae. They are

`\vdec` marked up via the `\vdec` macro. Inside a declaration we can use the `\vids` macro  
`\vids` to mark up the variable names and `\vrest` to mark up the restrictions. In the  
`\vrest` simplest case we have a single variable as in “...for all  $u$ ”, which we mark up as.

... for all `\vdec{\vids[u]{ $u$ }}`.

A more complex example has multiple identifiers embedded in a restriction, as in  
“Let  $x, y, z \in \mathbb{R}$ , such that  $x + 2y = z$ , then ...”, which we mark up as

```
Let \vdec{\vids[x,y,z]{ $\minset{x,y,z}\mathbb{R}$ }},
    such that \vrest{ $x+2y=z$ }, then \ldots''
```

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<sup>3</sup>EDNOTE: explain and make better examples

<sup>4</sup>EDNOTE: unify this with the vardef macros from (currently) the modules package.

<sup>5</sup>EDNOTE: talk with Frederic about this see what other examples there are.

<sup>6</sup>EDNOTE: how do we identify the variables in complex restriction patterns. maybe with LMXref,  
which we should reinstate for this.

## 2.5 Block-Level Markup

`sblockquote` The `sblockquote` environment is the big brother of the `\sinlinequote` macro. It also takes an optional argument to specify the source. Here the four internal macros `\begin@sblockquote` to `\end@@sblockquote` are used for styling and can be adapted by package integrators. Here a quote of Hamlet would marked up as

```
\begin{sblockquote}[Hamlet, \cite{Shak:1603:Hamlet}]\obeylines
  To be, or not to be: that is the question:
  Whether 'tis nobler in the mind to suffer
\end{sblockquote}
```

and would render as

*To be, or not to be: that is the question:*  
*Whether 'tis nobler in the mind to suffer*

Hamlet, (Shakespeare 1603)

`\lec` The `\lec` macro takes one argument and sets it as a comment at the end of the line, making sure that if the content is too long it is pushed into a new line. We use it internally for placing the of source of the `sblockquote` environment above. The actual appearance of the line end comment is determined by the `\@@lec` macro, which can be customized in the document class.

## 2.6 Index Markup

The `omtext` package provides some extensions for the well-known indexing macros of L<sup>A</sup>T<sub>E</sub>X. The main reason for introducing these macros is that index markup in OMDoc wraps the indexed terms rather than just marking the spot for cross-referencing. Furthermore the index commands only indexes words unless the `noindex` option is set in the `\usepackage`. The `omtext` package and class make the usual `\index` macro undefined<sup>7</sup>.

`\indextoo` The `\indextoo` macro renders a word and marks it for the index. Sometimes, we want to index a slightly different form of the word, e.g. for non-standard plurals: while `\indextoo{word}s` works fine, we cannot use this for the word “datum”, which has the plural “data”. For this we have the macro `\indexalt`, which takes another argument for the displayed text, allowing us to use `\indexalt{data}{datum}`, which prints “data” but puts “datum” into the index.

The second set of macros adds an infrastructure for two-word compounds. Take for instance the compound “OMDoc document”, which we usually want to add into the index under “OMDoc” and “document”. `\twintoo{OMDoc}{document}` is a variant of `\indextoo` that will do just this. Again, we have a version that prints a variant: This is useful for situations like this the one in Figure 1:

The third set of macros does the same for two-word compounds with adjectives, e.g. “wonderful OMDoc document”. `\atwin{wonderful}{OMDoc}{document}`

<sup>7</sup>EdNOTE: implement this and issue the respective error message

```
We call group \twinalt{Abelian}{Abelian}{group}, iff \ldots
```

will result in the following

We call group Abelian, iff ...

and put “Abelian Group” into the index.

**Example 1:** Index markup

`\atwinalt` will make the necessary index entries under “wonderful” and “document”. Again, we have a variant `\atwinalt` whose first argument is the alternative text.

All index macros take an optional first argument that is used for ordering the respective entries in the index.

### 3 Limitations

In this section we document known limitations. If you want to help alleviate them, please feel free to contact the package author. Some of them are currently discussed in the `sTeX` GitHub repository [sTeX].

1. none reported yet

## 4 Implementation

### 4.1 Package Options

We declare some switches which will modify the behavior according to the package options. Generally, an option xxx will just set the appropriate switches to true (otherwise they stay false).<sup>8</sup>

```
1 <*package>
2 \newif\if@omtext@mh@\@omtext@mh@false
3 \DeclareOption{mh}{\@omtext@mh@true
4 \PassOptionsToPackage{\CurrentOption}{modules}}
5 \newif\ifindex\indextrue
6 \DeclareOption{noindex}{\indexfalse}
7 \DeclareOption*{\PassOptionsToPackage{\CurrentOption}{modules}}
8 \ProcessOptions
9 \ifindex\makeindex\fi

10 \if@omtext@mh\RequirePackage{omtext-mh}\fi
11 \RequirePackage{xspace}
12 \RequirePackage{modules}
13 \RequirePackage{comment}
14 \RequirePackage{mdframed}
15 \RequirePackage{latexsym}
```

### 4.2 Mathematical Text

We define the actions that are undertaken, when the keys are encountered. The first set just records metadata; this is very simple via the `\addmetakey` infrastructure [Koh15a]. Note that we allow math in the `title` field, so we do not declare it to be `Semiverbatim` (indeed not at all, which allows it by default).

```
16 \srefaddidkey{omtext}
17 \addmetakey[] {omtext}{functions}
18 \addmetakey* {omtext}{display}
19 \addmetakey {omtext}{for}
20 \addmetakey {omtext}{from}
21 \addmetakey {omtext}{type}
22 \addmetakey* {omtext}{title}
23 \addmetakey* {omtext}{start}
24 \addmetakey {omtext}{theory}
25 \addmetakey {omtext}{continues}
26 \addmetakey {omtext}{verbalizes}
27 \addmetakey {omtext}{subject}
```

The next keys handle module loading (see [KGA15b]).

```
28 % \ednote{MK: need to implement these in LaTeXML, I wonder whether there is a general
29 % mechanism like numberit.}\ednote{MK: this needs to be rethought in the light of
30 % |\usemodule|. It is probably obsolete. Is this used? Is this documented?}
```

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<sup>8</sup>EDNOTE: need an implementation for  $\LaTeX$ ML

```

31 \define@key{omtext}{require}{\requiremodules{#1}{sms}}
32 \define@key{omtext}{module}{\message{module: #1}\importmodule{#1}\def\omtext@theory{#1}}

\st@flow We define this macro, so that we can test whether the display key has the value
flow
33 \def\st@flow{flow}

We define a switch that allows us to see whether we are inside an omtext
environment or a statement. It will be used to give better error messages for
inline statements.

34 \newif\if@in@omtext\@in@omtextfalse

omtext The omtext environment is different, it does not have a keyword that marks it.
Instead, it can have a title, which is used in a similar way. We redefine the \lec
macro so the trailing \par does not get into the way.

35 \def\omtext@pre@skip{\smallskip}
36 \def\omtext@post@skip{}
37 \providecommand{\stDMemph}[1]{\textbf{#1}}
38 \newenvironment{omtext}[1][]{\@in@omtexttrue%
39 \bgroup\metasetkeys{omtext}{#1}\sref@label{id{this paragraph}}%
40 \def\lec##1{\@lec{##1}}%
41 \ifx\omtext@display\st@flow\else\omtext@pre@skip\par\noindent%
42 \ifx\omtext@title\@empty%
43 \ifx\omtext@start\@empty\else\stDMemph{\omtext@start}\xspace\fi%
44 \else\stDMemph{\omtext@title}:\xspace%
45 \ifx\omtext@start\@empty\else\omtext@start\xspace\fi%
46 \fi% \omtext@title empty
47 \fi% \omtext@display=flow
48 \ignorespaces}
49 {\egroup\omtext@post@skip\@in@omtextfalse}

```

### 4.3 Phrase-level Markup

```

\phrase For the moment, we do disregard the most of the keys

50 \srefaddidkey{phrase}
51 \addmetakey{phrase}{style}
52 \addmetakey{phrase}{class}
53 \addmetakey{phrase}{index}
54 \addmetakey{phrase}{verbalizes}
55 \addmetakey{phrase}{type}
56 \addmetakey{phrase}{only}
57 \newcommand\phrase[2][]{\metasetkeys{phrase}{#1}%
58 \ifx\phrase@only\@empty\only<\phrase@only>{#2}\else #2\fi}

\coref*

59 \providecommand\textsubscript[1]{\ensuremath{_{#1}}}
60 \newcommand\corefs[2]{#1\textsubscript{#2}}
61 \newcommand\coreft[2]{#1\textsuperscript{#2}}

```



`\n*lex`

```
62 \newcommand\nlex[1]{\green{\sl{#1}}}
63 \newcommand\nlcex[1]{*\green{\sl{#1}}}
```

`sinlinequote`

```
64 \def\@sinlinequote#1{'\sl{#1}'}
65 \def\@@sinlinequote#1#2{\@sinlinequote{#2}~#1}
66 \newcommand\sinlinequote[2]{}
67 {\def\@opt{#1}\ifx\@opt\@empty\@sinlinequote{#2}\else\@@sinlinequote\@opt{#2}\fi}
```

## 4.4 Declarations (under development)

The declaration macros are still under development (i.e. the macros) are still under development and may change at any time. Currently they are completely empty.

```
68 \newcommand\vdec[1]{#1}
69 \newcommand\vids[2][]{#2}
70 \newcommand\vrest[2][]{#2}
```

## 4.5 Block-Level Markup

`sblockquote`

```
71 \def\begin@sblockquote{\begin{quote}\sl}
72 \def\end@sblockquote{\end{quote}}
73 \def\begin@@sblockquote#1{\begin@sblockquote}
74 \def\end@@sblockquote#1{\def\@lec##1{{\rm #1}}\@lec{#1}\end@sblockquote}
75 \newenvironment{sblockquote}[1]{}
76 {\def\@opt{#1}\ifx\@opt\@empty\begin@sblockquote\else\begin@@sblockquote\@opt\fi}
77 {\ifx\@opt\@empty\end@sblockquote\else\end@@sblockquote\@opt\fi}
```

`sboxquote`

```
78 \newenvironment{sboxquote}[1]{}
79 {\def\@src{#1}\begin{mdframed}[leftmargin=.5cm,rightmargin=.5cm]}
80 {\@lec{\rm\@src}\end{mdframed}}
```

The line end comment macro makes sure that it will not be forced on the next line unless necessary.

`\lec` The actual appearance of the line end comment is determined by the `\@@lec` macro, which can be customized in the document class. The basic one here is provided so that it is not missing.

```
81 \providecommand{\@@lec}[1]{(#{1})}
82 \def\@lec#1{\strut\hfil\strut\null\nobreak\hfill\@@lec{#1}}
83 \def\lec#1{\@lec{#1}\par}
```

`\my*graphics` We set up a special treatment for including graphics to respect the intended OM-  
Doc document structure. The main work is done in the transformation stylesheet  
though.

```
84 \newcommand\mygraphics[2] [] {\includegraphics[#1]{#2}}
85 \newcommand\mycgraphics[2] [] {\begin{center}\mygraphics[#1]{#2}\end{center}}
86 \newcommand\mybgraphics[2] [] {\fbox{\mygraphics[#1]{#2}}}
87 \newcommand\mycbgraphics[2] [] {\begin{center}\fbox{\mygraphics[#1]{#2}}\end{center}}
```

## 4.6 Index Markup

`\omdoc@index*` these are the main internal indexing commands – dividing them into three is awful,  
but I did not get list processing running. It makes sure that the modules necessary  
for interpreting the math in the index entries are loaded. If the `loadmodules` key  
is given, we import the module we are in otherwise all the currently imported  
modules. We do not have to require the module files, since the index is at the end  
of the document. If the `at` key is given, then we use that for sorting in the index.

```
88 \addmetakey{omdoc@index}{at}
89 \addmetakey[false]{omdoc@index}{loadmodules}[true]
90 \newcommand\omdoc@indexi[2] [] {\ifindex%
91 \metasetkeys{omdoc@index}{#1}%
92 \@bsphack\begingroup\@sanitize%
93 \protected@write\@indexfile{}\string\indexentry%
94 {\ifx\omdoc@index@at\@empty\else\omdoc@index@at @\fi%
95 \ifx\omdoc@index@loadmodules\@true%
96 \string\withusedmodules{\@ifundefined{mod@id}\used@modules\mod@id}{#2}%
97 \else #2\fi% loadmodules
98 }\@thepage}}%
99 \endgroup\@esphack\fi}%ifindex
100 \newcommand\omdoc@indexii[3] [] {\ifindex%
101 \metasetkeys{omdoc@index}{#1}%
102 \@bsphack\begingroup\@sanitize%
103 \protected@write\@indexfile{}\string\indexentry%
104 {\ifx\omdoc@index@at\@empty\else\omdoc@index@at @\fi%
105 \ifx\omdoc@index@loadmodules\@true%
106 \string\withusedmodules{\@ifundefined{mod@id}\used@modules\mod@id}{#2}!%
107 \string\withusedmodules{\@ifundefined{mod@id}\used@modules\mod@id}{#3}%
108 \else #2!#3\fi% loadmodules
109 }\@thepage}}%
110 \endgroup\@esphack\fi}%ifindex
111 \newcommand\omdoc@indexiii[4] [] {\ifindex%
112 \metasetkeys{omdoc@index}{#1}%
113 \@bsphack\begingroup\@sanitize%
114 \protected@write\@indexfile{}\string\indexentry%
115 {\ifx\omdoc@index@at\@empty\else\omdoc@index@at @\fi%
116 \ifx\omdoc@index@loadmodules\@true%
117 \string\withusedmodules{\@ifundefined{mod@id}\used@modules\mod@id}{#2}!%
118 \string\withusedmodules{\@ifundefined{mod@id}\used@modules\mod@id}{#3}!%
119 \string\withusedmodules{\@ifundefined{mod@id}\used@modules\mod@id}{#4}%
120 \else #2!#3!#4\fi% loadmodules
121 }\@thepage}}%
122 \endgroup\@esphack\fi}%ifindex
```

```

120 \else #2!#3\fi% loadmodules
121 }\the page}}%
122 \endgroup\@esphack\fi}%ifindex

```

Now, we make two interface macros that make use of this:

```

\indexalt
123 \newcommand\indexalt[3] [] {\#2\omdoc@indexi[#1]{#3}} % word in text and index

\indextoo
124 \newcommand\indextoo[2] [] {\#2\omdoc@indexi[#1]{#2}} % word in text and index

\@twin this puts two-compound words into the index in various permutations
125 \newcommand\@twin[3] [] {\omdoc@indexii[#1]{#2}{#3}\omdoc@indexii[#1]{#3}{#2}}

```

And again we have two interface macros building on this

```

\twinalt
126 \newcommand\twinalt[4] [] {\#2\@twin[#1]{#3}{#4}}

\twintoo
127 \newcommand\twintoo[3] [] {\#2 #3\@twin[#1]{#2}{#3}} % and use the word compound too

\@atwin this puts adjectivized two-compound words into the index in various permutations9
128 \newcommand\@atwin[4] [] {\omdoc@indexiii[#1]{#2}{#3}{#4}\omdoc@indexii[#1]{#3}{#2 (#4)}}

```

and the two interface macros for this case:

```

\@atwinalt
129 \newcommand\@atwinalt[5] [] {\#2\@atwin[#1]{#3}{#4}{#4}}

\@atwintoo
130 \newcommand\@atwintoo[4] [] {\#2 #3 #4\@atwin[#1]{#2}{#3}{#4}} % and use it too

```

## 4.7 Miscellaneous

Some shortcuts that use math symbols but are not mathematical at all; in particular, they should not be translated by L<sup>A</sup>T<sub>E</sub>X<sub>M</sub>L.

```

131 \newcommand\hateq{\ensuremath{\hat{=}}\xspace}
132 \newcommand\hatequiv{\ensuremath{\hat{\equiv}}\xspace}
133 \@ifundefined{ergo}%
134 {\newcommand\ergo{\ensuremath{\leadsto}\xspace}}%
135 {\renewcommand\ergo{\ensuremath{\leadsto}\xspace}}%
136 \newcommand\reflect@squig[2]{\reflectbox{$\m@th#1\rightsquigarrow$}}%
137 \newcommand\ogre{\ensuremath{\mathrel{\mathpalette\reflect@squig\relax}}\xspace}%
138 \</package>

```

---

<sup>9</sup>EdNOTE: what to do with the optional argument here and below?

## Index

Numbers written in *italic* refer to the page where the corresponding entry is described; numbers underlined refer to the code line of the definition; numbers in *roman* refer to the code lines where the entry is used.

|         |          |          |   |
|---------|----------|----------|---|
| Abelian |          | group    |   |
| group,  | <u>6</u> | Abelian, | 6 |

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