

SVG for Displaying OpenMath and MathML Formulae

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MAINLINE

- Multimedia Applications Involving Non Linear Information for Networked Education
 - Distance Learning
 - Interactive edition and collaborative tools
 - Wearable Computer for E-Learning
- Framework for displaying and editing structured documents
 - Applied to mathematical formulae and graphs
- http://mainline.essi.fr



OpenMath and MathML

- OpenMath
 - Assuming everyone here speaks OpenMath...
- MathML
 - ► W3C Recommendation (http://www.w3.org/Math)
 - XML language
 - Presentation Markup
 - Content Markup



Displaying Mathematics on the Web

- How to display formulae on the Web
 - Images
 - ► HTML
 - Plugins
 - Applets
 - MathML Presentation markup
- How to display math content on the Web ?
 - MathML Content markup
 - OpenMath

Displaying Mathematics on the Net (2)

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Resolution					
Size					
Interactivity					
Content					
Std. Format					
Fonts					
Diagrams					
Printing					

Quality: rendering quality Yes **Resolution**: fixed resolution Size: document size

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Interactivity: allow interaction with formula Yes & No Content: allow embedding semantics of formula

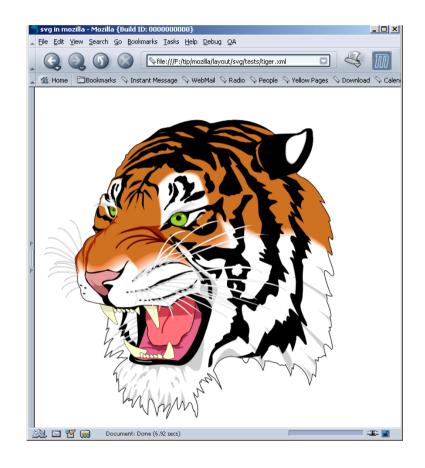
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Fonts: need system fonts for rendering **Diagrams**: allow mixing formulae and diagrams

Printing: printable format (or easy inclusion in printable format)



- W3C Recommendation
 - "PostScript for Web"
- Description
 - XML language
 - Vectorial
 - Dynamic
 - Interactive
 - Photo filters





- Avantages
 - Vectorial (zoom, iconification, etc...)
 - Interactive
 - Possible inclusion in drawings
 - Ready to print in PDF format (via FOP)
- Limitations
 - Heavier than MathML (but less than image)

$$\frac{\partial^{^{n+m}}}{\partial x^n \partial y^m} \sin{(x.y)}$$

$$\nabla^2 f = \operatorname{div} (\operatorname{grad} (f))$$

$$\forall a : (\lceil a \rceil - 1) < a \land a \leq \lceil a \rceil$$

$$\int_{c(t)} \omega = \int_{t=b}^{a} \left(\sum_{i=b} a_{i}(t) \frac{\mathrm{d}x_{i}}{\mathrm{d}t} \right) \mathrm{d}t$$



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Mathematical Standards to SVG

- MathML Presentation markup to SVG
 - SchemaSoft (http://www.schemasoft.com/MathML)
- MathML Content markup to SVG
 - Content to Presentation with XSLT stylesheet
 - Presentation to SVG with SchemaSoft
 - Limitations

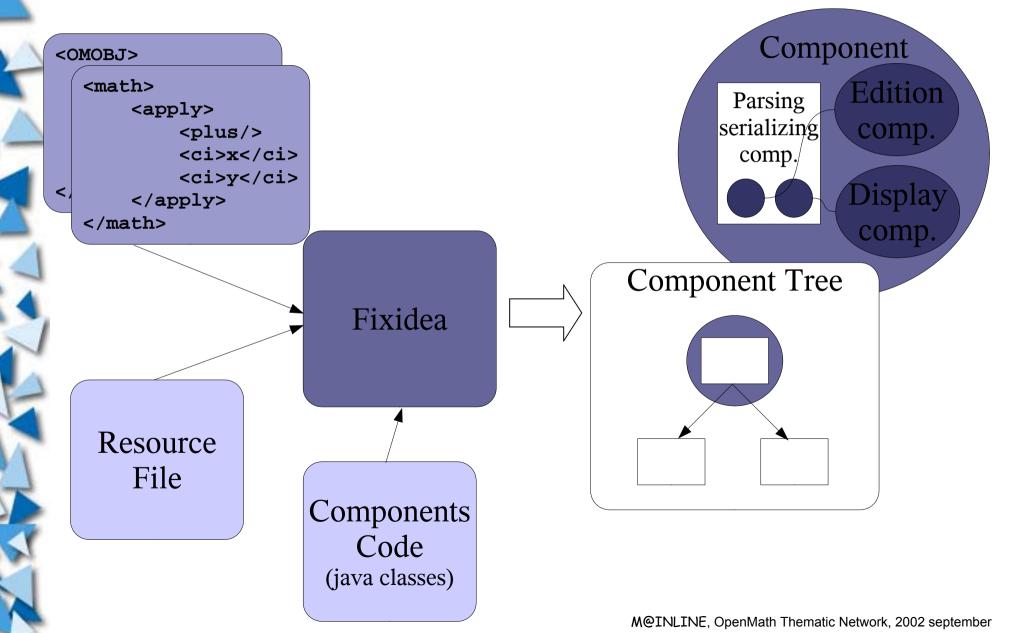
And why not OpenMath to SVG ?



Fixidea

- Framework for structured document
 - XML documents
 - Rendering
 - Editing
- Proposed solution
 - Components
 - Instantiation of components on XPath expr.
- Applied to XML Mathematical Markup

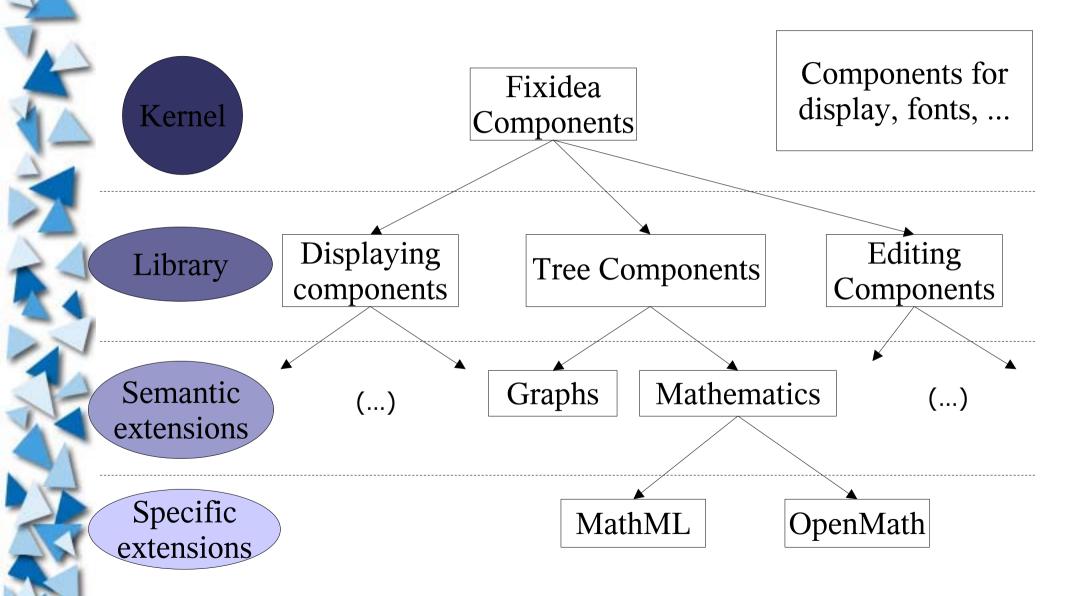
Fixidea: Global Architecture



Fixidea: Resource File

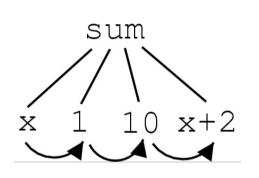
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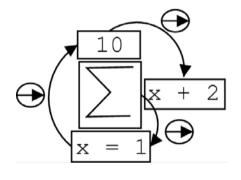
Fixidea: Classes

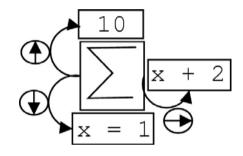


Fixidea: Some Technical Points

Navigation in formulae







- Uses LaTeX fonts
 - ▶ TTF to SVG conversion
 - Embedded in SVG documents



Fixidea: Possible extensions

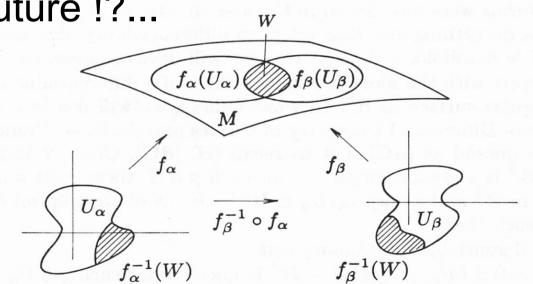
- Currently
 - Produces SVG documents for Web
 - Limited edition and selection
 - Serialization as MathML, SVG
 - Implementation of specific classes for OM
- Future
 - Mix graphs, diagrams and formulae
 - Software component (Java Bean) to include in:
 - Applets
 - Applications

Examples of SVG documents

Currently:

$$\int_{c(t)} \omega = \int_{t=b}^{a} \left(\sum a_{i}(t) \frac{\mathrm{d}x_{i}}{\mathrm{d}t} \right) \mathrm{d}t = \int_{t=b}^{a} \left(\sum a_{i}(\varphi(\tau)) \frac{\mathrm{d}x_{i}}{\mathrm{d}\tau} \frac{\mathrm{d}\tau}{\mathrm{d}t} \right) \mathrm{d}t$$

▶ In the future !?...





Conclusion

- Support for MathML 2.0
 - Support for Content Markup
 - Doesn't handle Presentation Markup (ci, csymbol)
 - Doesn't handle annotation tags
- Rendering
 - Need to support all rendering types
 - Small graphical problems remain
- First tests with OpenMath
- http://mainline.essi.fr/wiki/bin/view/Fixidea