

## **A concrete proposal: mathematical FABSTRACTS (formal abstracts)**

Given today's technology, it is not reasonable to ask for all proofs to be formalized. But with today's technology, it seems that it should be possible to create a formal abstract service that

- Gives a statement of the main theorem(s) of each published mathematical paper in a language that is both human and machine readable,
- Links each term in theorem statements to a precise definition of that term (again in human/machine readable form), and
- Grounds every statement and definition in the system in some foundational system for doing mathematics.