

1 Markdown to LaTeX Comprehensive Guide

This guide demonstrates all supported markdown syntax features for the md-to-luatex converter.

1.1 Headings

```
% % % %  
# Heading 1  
## Heading 2  
### Heading 3  
#### Heading 4  
##### Heading 5  
##### Heading 6
```

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2 Heading 1

2.1 Heading 2

2.1.1 Heading 3

Heading 4

Heading 5

Heading 6

2.2 Text Formatting

2.2.1 Bold

```
**bold text** or __bold text__
```

bold text or **bold text**

markdown

2.2.2 Italic

```
_italic text_ or *italic text*
```

italic text or *italic text*

markdown

2.2.3 Bold + Italic

```
**_bold and italic_* or ***bold and italic***
```

bold and italic or ***bold and italic***

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2.2.4 Strikethrough

markdown

```
~~strikethrough text~~
```

~~strikethrough text~~

2.2.5 Highlight

markdown

```
==highlighted text==
```

highlighted text

2.2.6 Superscript

markdown

```
^superscript^ (e.g., x^2^)
```

^{superscript} (e.g., x²)

2.2.7 Subscript

markdown

```
~subscript~ (e.g., H~2~O)
```

_{subscript} (e.g., H₂O)

2.3 Inline Code

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```
`inline code`
```

inline code

2.4 Code Blocks

2.4.1 Fenced Code Block

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```
```python
def hello():
 print("Hello, World!")
```
```

python

```
def hello():
    print("Hello, World!")
```

2.4.2 Code Block Without Language

```
```\nplain text code block\n```
```

markdown

```
plain text code block
```

## 2.4.3 Terminal Block

```
```terminal\n$ command\noutput result\n```
```

markdown

```
$ command\noutput result
```

text

2.5 Links

```
[link text](https://example.com)
```

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[link text](https://example.com)

```
[link text](https://example.com "title")
```

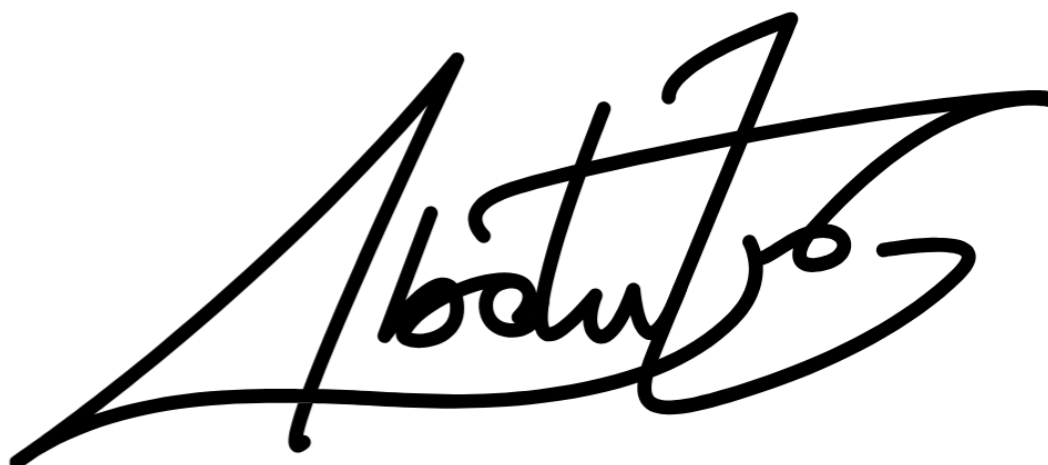
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[link text](https://example.com)

2.6 Images

```
![alt text](image.png)
```

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```
![alt text](image.png "title")
```

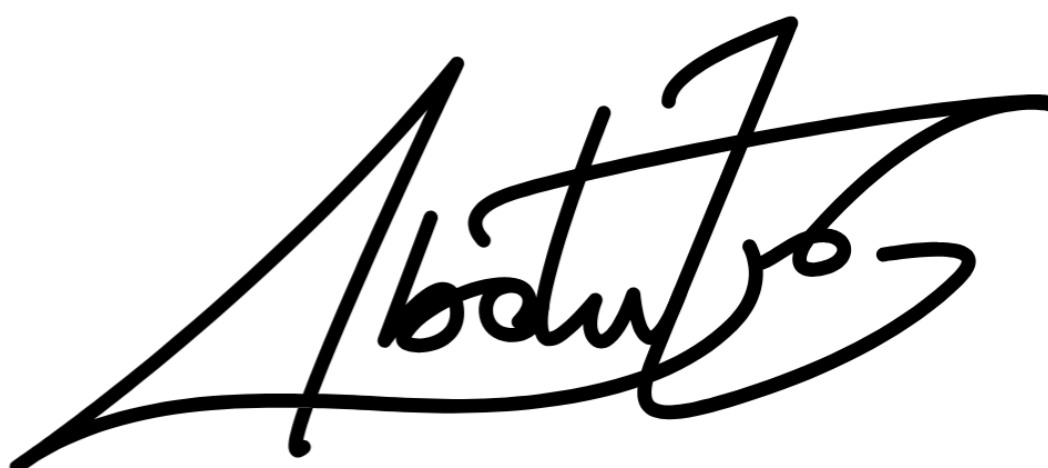
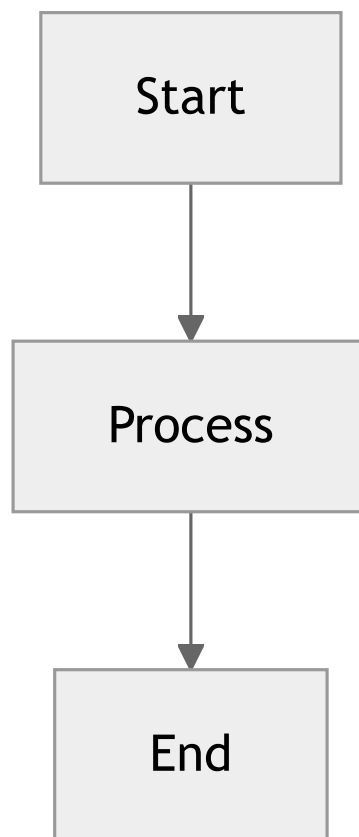


Figure 1: title

2.7 Mermaid Diagrams

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```
```mermaid
graph TD
 A[Start] --> B[Process]
 B --> C[End]
```
```



2.8 Lists

2.8.1 Unordered List

```
- Item 1
- Item 2
  - Nested item 2.1
  - Nested item 2.2
- Item 3
```

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- Item 1
- Item 2
 - Nested item 2.1
 - Nested item 2.2
- Item 3

2.8.2 Ordered List

```
1. First item
2. Second item
  1. Nested item 2.1
  2. Nested item 2.2
3. Third item
```

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1. First item
2. Second item
 1. Nested item 2.1
 2. Nested item 2.2
3. Third item

2.8.3 Task Lists

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- [x] Completed task
- [] Incomplete task
- [/] Partially completed task

- ☒ Completed task
- ☐ Incomplete task
- ☐ Partially completed task

2.9 Definition Lists

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```
Term 1
: Definition 1

Term 2
: Definition 2a
: Definition 2b
```

Term 1
Definition 1

Term 2
Definition 2a
Definition 2b

2.10 Tables

2.10.1 Pipe Tables

markdown

```
Left	Center	Right	Default
L1	C1	R1	Default
L2	C2	R2	Default
```

| Left | Center | Right | Default |
|------|--------|-------|---------|
| L1 | C1 | R1 | Default |
| L2 | C2 | R2 | Default |

2.11 Table with Captions

markdown

```
Header 1	Header 2	Header 3
Cell 1	Cell 2	Cell 3
Cell 4	Cell 5	Cell 6

: Sample Table with Caption
```

| Header 1 | Header 2 | Header 3 |
|----------|----------|----------|
| Cell 1 | Cell 2 | Cell 3 |
| Cell 4 | Cell 5 | Cell 6 |

Table 1: Sample Table with Caption

2.12 Horizontal Rule

markdown

```
---
```

markdown

```
---
```

markdown

```
***
```

2.13 Math Expressions

2.13.1 Inline Math

markdown

```
This is inline math: $E = mc^2$
```

This is inline math: $E = mc^2$

2.13.2 Display Math

```

$$
\int_{0}^{\infty} e^{-x^2} dx = \frac{\sqrt{\pi}}{2}
$$

```

$$\int_0^\infty e^{-x^2} dx = \frac{\sqrt{\pi}}{2}$$

2.14 Footnotes

2.14.1 Inline Footnote

```

Text with inline footnote^[This is the footnote content].

```

Text with inline footnote^[1] .

2.14.2 Reference Footnote

```

Text with reference footnote[^1].
[^1]: This is the footnote content.

```

Text with reference footnote^[2] .

2.15 Keyboard Shortcuts

2.15.1 Single Key

```

[[Ctrl]]

```

Ctrl

2.15.2 Key Combination with Plus

```

[[Ctrl]] + [C]

```

Ctrl + C

2.15.3 Key Combination with Minus

```

[[Alt]] - [Tab]

```

Alt - Tab

[1] This is the footnote content

[2] This is the footnote content.

2.16 Line Break

2.16.1 Using Two Spaces

Put two spaces at the end of a line 1 to create a line break.

```
Line 1<space><space>
Line 2
```

Line 1
Line 2

2.16.2 Using Backslash

```
Line 1\  
Line 2
```

Line 1
Line 2

2.16.3 Using HTML `
` Tag

```
Line 1<br>
Line 2
```

Line 1
Line 2

```
Line 1<br/>
Line 2
```

Line 1
Line 2

2.16.4 Using Empty Line (Paragraph Break)

```
Line 1
```

```
Line 2
```

Line 1
Line 2

2.17 Blockquotes

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```
> This is a blockquote.
> It can span multiple lines.
>
> And multiple paragraphs.
```

This is a blockquote. It can span multiple lines.
And multiple paragraphs.

2.17.1 Nested Blockquotes

markdown

```
> Level 1
>
> > Level 2
> >
> > > Level 3
```

Level 1

Level 2

Level 3

2.17.2 Blockquotes with Styled Content

Blockquotes can contain inline code, keyboard shortcuts, tables, and other formatted elements:

markdown

```
> This blockquote contains `inline code` and keyboard shortcuts like [[Ctrl] +
↪ [C]].
>
> It can also have bold, _italic_, and ==highlighted== text.
>
Feature	Supported
> | Tables  | Yes      |
> | Code    | Yes      |
```

This blockquote contains `inline code` and keyboard shortcuts like `Ctrl` + `C`.
It can also have **bold**, *italic*, and `highlighted` text.

| Feature | Supported |
|---------|-----------|
| Tables | Yes |
| Code | Yes |

2.17.3 Blockquotes with Code Blocks

markdown

```
> Here's a code example inside a blockquote:  
>  
> ```python  
> def greet(name):  
>     return f"Hello, {name}!"  
> ```  
>  
> The code block maintains its syntax highlighting.
```

Here's a code example inside a blockquote:

python

```
def greet(name):  
    return f"Hello, {name}!"
```

The code block maintains its syntax highlighting.

2.18 GitHub Alerts

2.18.1 Note Alert

markdown

```
\begin{mdalertnote}  
This is a note alert with blue styling.  
\end{mdalertnote}
```

NOTE

This is a note alert with blue styling.

2.18.2 Tip Alert

markdown

```
\begin{mdalerttip}  
This is a tip alert with green styling.  
\end{mdalerttip}
```

TIP

This is a tip alert with green styling.

2.18.3 Important Alert

markdown

```
\begin{mdalertimportant}
This is an important alert with purple styling.
\end{mdalertimportant}
```

IMPORTANT

This is an important alert with purple styling.

2.18.4 Warning Alert

markdown

```
\begin{mdalertwarning}
This is a warning alert with yellow/orange styling.
\end{mdalertwarning}
```

WARNING

This is a warning alert with yellow/orange styling.

2.18.5 Caution Alert

markdown

```
\begin{mdalertcaution}
This is a caution alert with red styling.
\end{mdalertcaution}
```

CAUTION

This is a caution alert with red styling.

2.18.6 Alerts with Rich Content

GitHub alerts can also contain formatted text, code, tables, and keyboard shortcuts:

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```
\begin{mdalerttip}
**Pro Tip:** Use `git commit -m "message"` to commit changes.
Common keyboard shortcuts:
- Save: [[Ctrl]] + [S]
- Undo: [[Ctrl]] + [Z]

Command	Description	
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```

```
| ----- | ----- |
| `git status` | Check repository status |
| `git log` | View commit history |
```

```
\end{mdalerttip}
```

TIP

Pro Tip: Use `git commit -m "message"` to commit changes.
Common keyboard shortcuts:

- Save: `Ctrl` + `S`
- Undo: `Ctrl` + `Z`

| Command | Description |
|-------------------------|-------------------------|
| <code>git status</code> | Check repository status |
| <code>git log</code> | View commit history |

```
\begin{mdalertwarning}
```

This contains ==highlighted text==, ~~strikethrough~~, and ^{superscript}!

Code example:

```
```bash
rm -rf /
```
```

****Never**** run the above command!

```
\end{mdalertwarning}
```

WARNING

This contains highlighted text , ~~strikethrough~~, and ^{superscript}!

Code example:

```
rm -rf /
```

Never run the above command!

2.19 Executable Python Code Blocks

The converter supports executing Python code blocks directly within your markdown and including their output or generated plots in the final PDF.

2.19.1 Prerequisites

For Python code execution to work, you need Python installed on your system. To generate plots with matplotlib, install the required packages:

```
python -m pip install matplotlib numpy
```

NOTE

Mermaid diagram support is already documented in the Mermaid Diagrams section and requires separate installation of `@mermaid-js/mermaid-cli` via npm.

2.19.2 Basic Syntax

Mark a Python code block for execution using properties in curly braces:

```
```python {.execute}  
print("Hello, World!")
```
```

2.19.3 Available Properties

- `.execute` - Execute the code block (required)
- `.show-code` - Display the source code in the output
- `.show-output` - Display execution output/plot (enabled by default)
- `.hide-code` - Explicitly hide the source code (default)
- `.hide-output` - Hide execution output/plot

2.19.4 Simple Print Example

Output only (default):

```
```python {.execute}  
print("Hello, World!")
```
```

Hello, World!

Show both code and output:

```
```python {.execute .show-code}  
print("Hello, World!")
```
```

```
print("Hello, World!")
```

```
Hello, World!
```

output

2.19.5 Matplotlib Plots

When your code uses matplotlib, the plot is automatically saved as a PDF and embedded in the document.

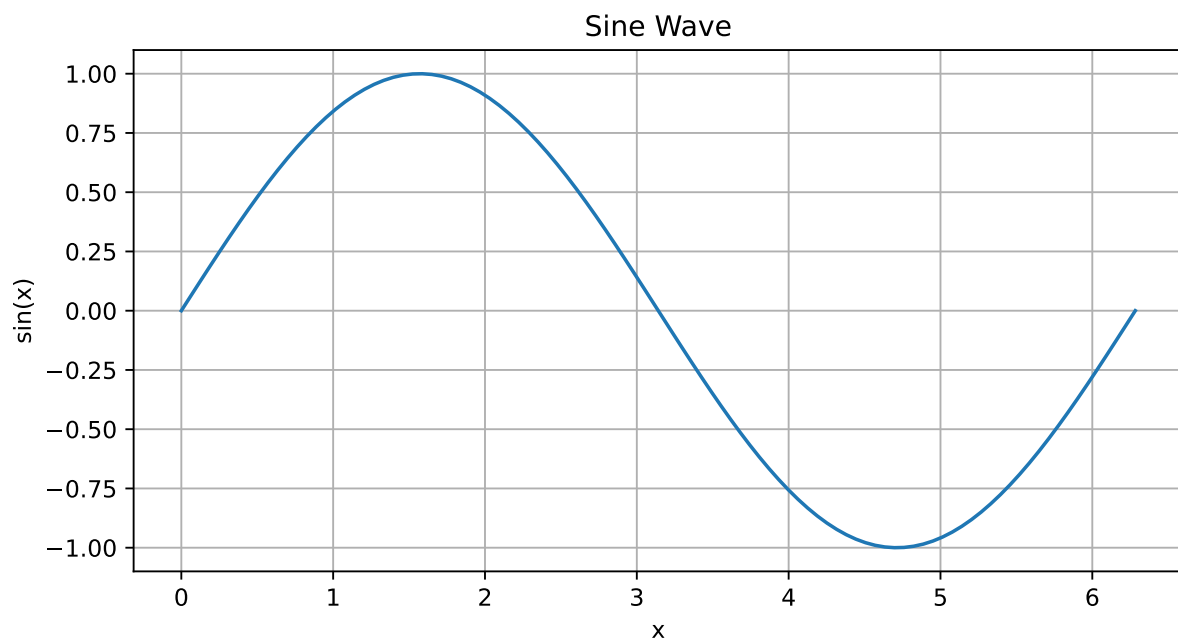
Simple plot example (plot only):

```
```python {.execute}
import numpy as np
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt

x = np.linspace(0, 2 * np.pi, 100)
y = np.sin(x)

plt.figure(figsize=(8, 4))
plt.plot(x, y)
plt.title('Sine Wave')
plt.xlabel('x')
plt.ylabel('sin(x)')
plt.grid(True)
plt.show()
```
```

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Polar plot with code shown:

```
```python {.execute .show-code}
import numpy as np
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt

r = np.arange(0, 2, 0.01)
theta = 2 * np.pi * r
```

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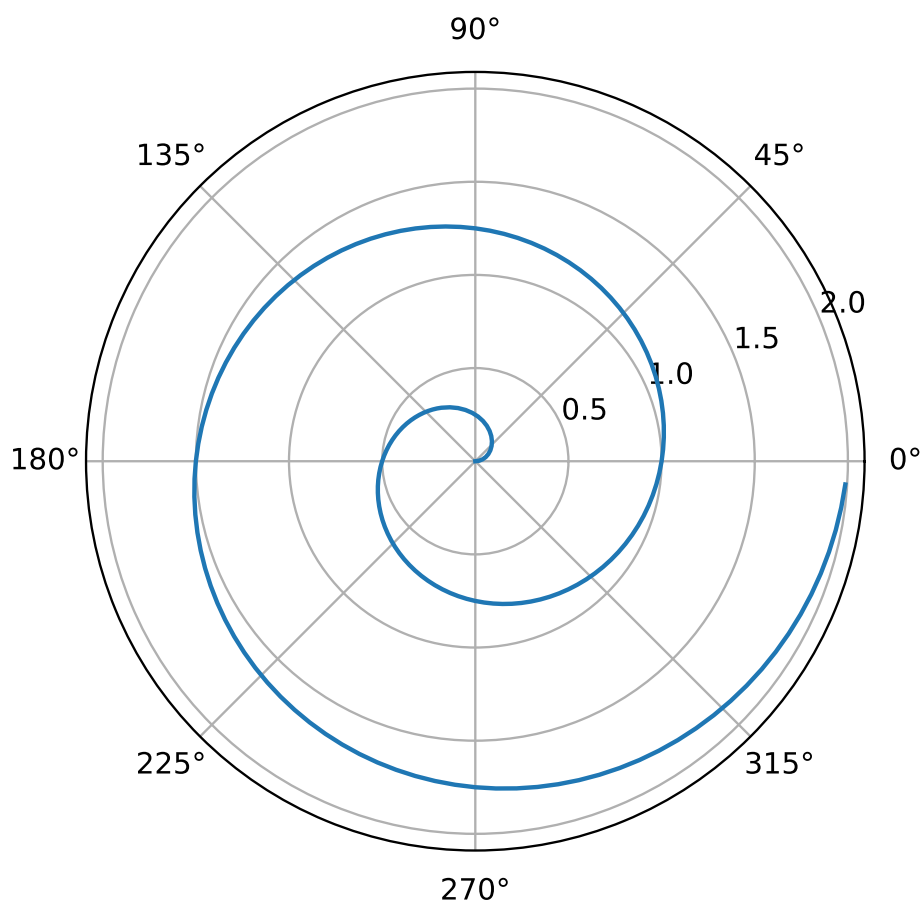
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```
fig, ax = plt.subplots(
 subplot_kw = {'projection': 'polar'}
)
ax.plot(theta, r)
ax.set_rticks([0.5, 1, 1.5, 2])
ax.grid(True)
plt.show()
`
```

python

```
import numpy as np
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt

r = np.arange(0, 2, 0.01)
theta = 2 * np.pi * r
fig, ax = plt.subplots(
 subplot_kw = {'projection': 'polar'}
)
ax.plot(theta, r)
ax.set_rticks([0.5, 1, 1.5, 2])
ax.grid(True)
plt.show()
```



Multiple subplots:



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```

python {execute}
import numpy as np
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt

fig, axes = plt.subplots(2, 2, figsize=(10, 8))
x = np.linspace(0, 2 * np.pi, 100)

axes[0, 0].plot(x, np.sin(x))
axes[0, 0].set_title('Sine')

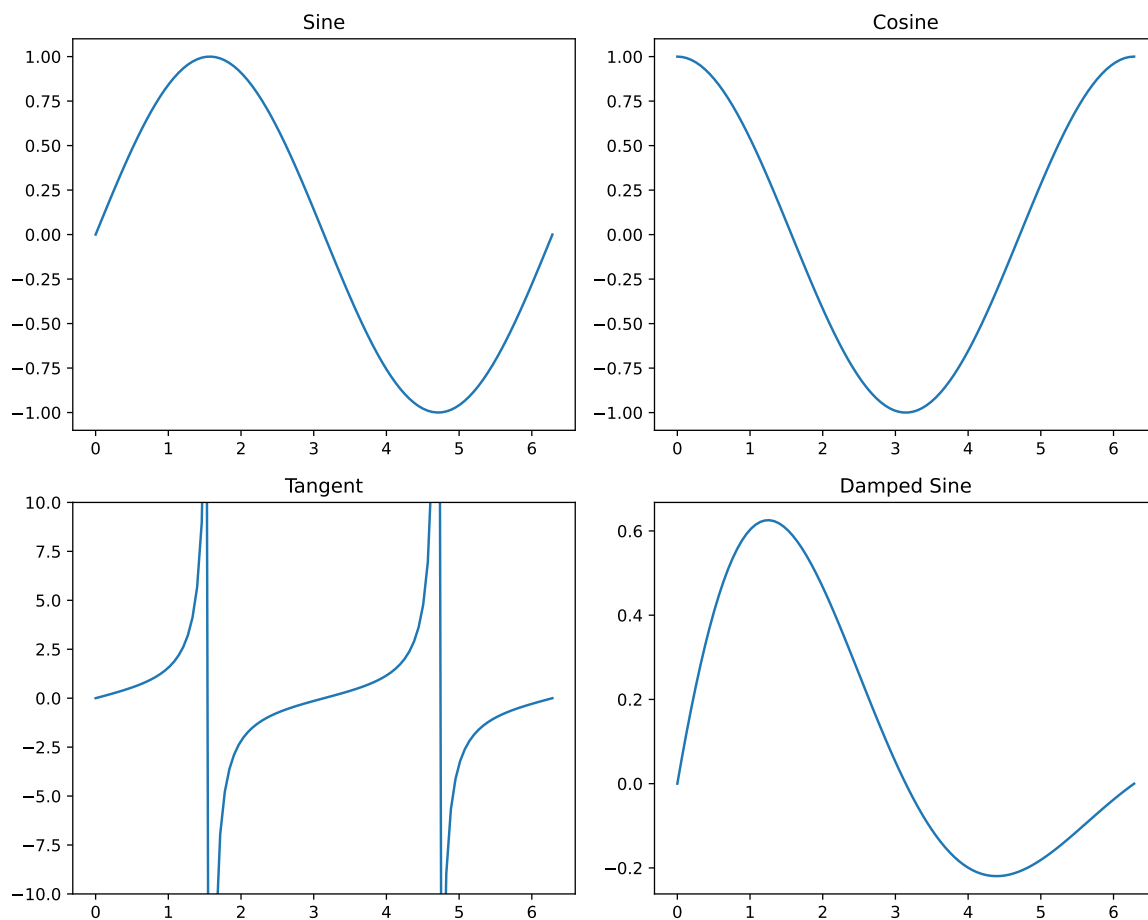
axes[0, 1].plot(x, np.cos(x))
axes[0, 1].set_title('Cosine')

axes[1, 0].plot(x, np.tan(x))
axes[1, 0].set_title('Tangent')
axes[1, 0].set_ylim(-10, 10)

axes[1, 1].plot(x, np.exp(-x/3) * np.sin(x))
axes[1, 1].set_title('Damped Sine')

plt.tight_layout()
plt.show()

```



## 2.20 Document Metadata (JSON)

Document metadata is configured in a separate JSON file:

```
json
{
 "title": "Document Title",
 "subtitle": "Course Name",
 "submittedto": "Professor Name",
 "university": "University Name",
 "department": "Department Name",
 "date": "January 1, 2024",
 "submittedby": [
 {
 "name": "Student Name",
 "roll": "Registration Number"
 }
],
 "titleTemplate": 1,
 "enableContentPage": false,
 "enablePageCredits": false,
 "moveFootnotesToEnd": false,
 "enableThatsAllPage": true
}
```

### 2.20.1 Title Template Modes

The `titleTemplate` setting controls how the title page is displayed:

- **0** : No title (disabled)
- **1** : Full university title page with logo (default) - Good for assignments and reports
- **2** : Title header above content - Good for notes
- **3** : Title on separate page - Good for when the contents are enabled

Controls document structure, metadata, and optional pages.