

# Comparison of Syntax formats

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## 1 Introduction

Mathematical Markup Language (MathML)201 (2014), specifically Content MathML and Presentation MathML.

MathematicaWolfram Research (2014)

## 2 Test Cases

A set of test cases for flexing the capability of syntax, provided in Latex

### 2.1 Case 1: polynomial

$$ax^2 + bx + c = 0 \quad (1)$$

Latex:

`a x^2 + b x + c = 0`

Presentation MathML:

```
<mrow>
  <mrow>
    <msup>
      <mrow><mi> x </mi></mrow>
      <mrow><mi> n </mi></mrow>
    </msup>
    <mo>+</mo>
    <msup>
      <mrow><mi> y </mi></mrow>
      <mrow><mi> n </mi></mrow>
    </msup>
  </mrow>
  <mo>=</mo>
  <msup>
    <mrow><mi> z </mi></mrow>
    <mrow><mi> n </mi></mrow>
  </msup>
</mrow>
```

Content MathML:

```
<math xmlns=
"http://www.w3.org/1998/Math/MathML">
```

```
<apply>
  <eq/>
  <apply>
    <plus/>
    <apply>
      <ci>a</ci>
      <power/><ci> x </ci><ci> 2 </ci>
    </apply>
    <apply>
      <ci>b</ci> <ci> x </ci>
    </apply>
    <apply>
      <ci>c</ci>
    </apply>
  </apply>
  <cn>0</cn>
</apply>
</math>
```

### 2.2 Case 2: Stoke's theorem

$$\int \int_{\Sigma} \vec{\nabla} \times \vec{F} d\vec{\Sigma} = \oint_{\partial \Sigma} \vec{F} d\vec{r} \quad (2)$$

Latex:

```
\int \int_{\sum} \vec{\nabla} \times \vec{F} \cdot d\vec{\sum} =
\oint_{\partial \sum} \vec{F} \cdot d\vec{r}
```

### 2.3 Case 3: Tensor analysis

$$Y^i(X_j) = \Delta^i_j \quad (3)$$

Latex:

```
Y^i(X_j) = \Delta^i_{\ j}
```

Einstein notation: contravariant = superscript,  
covariant = subscript

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2.4 Case 4a: creation operator

$\hat{a}^+|n\rangle = \sqrt{n+1}|n+1\rangle$  (4)

`\hat{a}^+ |n\rangle = \sqrt{n+1} |n+1\rangle`

2.5 Case 4b: uncertainty principle

$\sigma_x \sigma_p \geq \frac{\hbar}{2}$  (5)

`\sigma_x \sigma_p \geq \frac{\hbar}{2}`

3 Comparison of Test Cases

Name	Cost	Open Source	keystroke count
Latex	Free	Yes	4

4 Bibliography

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