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Math 397
Homework #1

- (1) The *quick brown* **fox** jumps over the *lazy* **dog**.
- (2) *Italicized text*
- (3) **Bold-face text**
- (4) Some normal text, *some italicized text*, and some **bold-face text**.
- (5) In LaTeX, all math must be inside dollar signs. Notice the difference between “Let b be an element of \mathbb{R} ” and “Let b be an element of \mathbb{R} ”.
- (6) $\int_0^1 x^7 dx = \left. \frac{x^8}{8} \right|_0^1 = \frac{1}{8} - \frac{0}{8} = \frac{1}{8}.$
- (7) $f'(\mu) = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \left[\frac{f(\mu+h) - f(\mu)}{h} \right]$ and $\lim_{x \rightarrow 5} \frac{\cos x}{x} = 0.$
- (8) Let $F : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be given by $f(x) = x^3 + 3x^2 - 1.$
- (9) $5 < 6$ and $6 > 2$
- (10) For every $x \in (0, 1)$ it is true that $x^2 < x.$
- (11) $(f \circ g)(x) = (f(g(x)))$ and $A \cap B \subseteq A$ and $X \neq Y.$

Write your paragraph in below:

As with the previous reading, overall I enjoyed *An Application of Geography to Mathematics*. I found that the authors did a good job introducing the historical context for an integral that seems arbitrarily difficulty to the elementary student of calculus; in so doing, they weaved together a discussion about solid geometry and integral calculus that is often absent from good introductory textbooks about either subject. Absent from this piece is a description of the options available to Mercator, and the real-world consequences of the eventual wide-spread use of his map, which I think would have made for a better overall piece of writing.¹

¹Fortunately, such a description can be found in Episode 16 of Season 2 of *The West Wing*.