

# Math with MathJax 2

**Note:** This is an alternative method to the one in Math Formulae with MathJax

1) Adapt the page in which you are testing/writing the Math formulae

- Ideally set the default output to SVG. Otherwise the user will need to select this from: Math Settings >> Math Renderer >> SVG
- Add code for a button to send the processed SVG to your PHP script

## Example of MathJax page

```
<!DOCTYPE html>
<html>
<head>

<!-- This line adds MathJax to the page with default SVG output -->
<script type="text/javascript"
src="http://cdn.mathjax.org/mathjax/latest/MathJax.js?config=TeX-AMS-MML_SVG"></script>

</head>
<body>

<h3>The Cauchy-Schwarz Inequality (TeX)</h3>
\[\ \left(\ \sum_{k=1}^n a_k b_k \right)^2 \leq \left(\ \sum_{k=1}^n a_k^2 \right) \left(\ \sum_{k=1}^n b_k^2 \right) \]
```

Standard Deviation (MathML)

$$\sqrt{\frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N \left( \frac{x_i - \bar{x}}{\sqrt{N}} \right)^2}$$

Inline equation (TeX)

Finally, while display equations look good for a page of samples, the ability to mix math and text in a paragraph is also important. This expression  $\sqrt{3x-1} + (1+x)^2$  is an example of an inline equation. As you see, MathJax equations can be used this way as well, without unduly disturbing the spacing between lines.

<!-- This block of code adds a button to send the processed HTML code to your script:
 example\_test.php -->
 <div id="mpdf-create">
 <form autocomplete="off" action="example\_test.php" method="POST" id="pdfform"
 onsubmit="document.getElementById('bodydata').value=encodeURIComponent(document.body.innerHTML);">
 <input type="submit" value="PDF" name="submit"/>
 <input type="hidden" value="" id="bodydata" name="bodydata" />
 </form>
 </div>

2) Now you need a PHP script (in this example: example\_test.php) which processes the output code from MathJax so that it is readable by mPDF:

## Example of 1st part of example\_test.php

```
// You should include a check for unwanted external referrers to prevent
// calls on this script from external websites!
```

```

$mpdf=new mPDF('');

$html = $_POST['bodydata'];
$html = urldecode($html);

preg_match_all('/<svg(?:^>*)style="(.*?)"\/',$html,$m);
for ($i=0;$i<count($m[0]);$i++) {
    $style=$m[2][$i];
    preg_match('/width: (.*?);\/',$style, $wr);
    $w = $mpdf->ConvertSize($wr[1],0,$mpdf->FontSize) * $mpdf->dpi/25.4;
    preg_match('/height: (.*?);\/',$style, $hr);
    $h = $mpdf->ConvertSize($hr[1],0,$mpdf->FontSize) * $mpdf->dpi/25.4;
    $replace = '<svg'. $m[1][$i]. ' width="'. $w. '" height="'. $h. '" style="'. $m[2][$i]. '"';
    $html = str_replace($m[0][$i],$replace,$html);
}
preg_match_all('/<path d="(.*?)" stroke-width="(.*?)" id="(.*?)"><\path>\/',$html, $d);
$defs = array();
for ($i=0;$i<count($d[0]);$i++) {
    $defs[$d[3][$i]]['sw'] = 0;
    $defs[$d[3][$i]]['path'] = $d[1][$i];
}
$html = preg_replace('/<defs.*?<\defs>\/','',$html);
$html = preg_replace('/<svg>.*?<\svg>\/','',$html); // get rid of the <defs> SVG

preg_match_all('/<use xlink:href="#([a-zA-Z0-9\-\-])"([>]*)><\use>\/',$html,$m);
for ($i=0;$i<count($m[0]);$i++) {
    $replace = '<path d="'. $defs[$m[1][$i]]['path']. '" stroke-
width="'. $defs[$m[1][$i]]['sw']. '"'. $m[2][$i]. '><\path>';
    $html = str_replace($m[0][$i],$replace,$html);
}

preg_match_all('/<use y="([-]{0,1}[0-9]+)" x="([-]{0,1}[0-9]+)" xlink:href="#([a-zA-Z0-9\-\-])"([>]*)><\use>\/',$html,$m);
for ($i=0;$i<count($m[0]);$i++) {
    $replace = '<g'. $m[4][$i]. '><g transform="translate('.$m[2][$i]. ','.$m[1][$i]. ')"><path
d="'. $defs[$m[3][$i]]['path']. '" stroke-width="'. $defs[$m[3][$i]]['sw']. '"><\path><\g><\g>';
    $html = str_replace($m[0][$i],$replace,$html);
}

```

3a) Finally you can create a PDF document directly based on the MathJax web page submitted:

#### Example of 2nd part of example\_test.php creating a PDF document

```

// ADD a stylesheet
$stylesheet = '
/* This helps alignment for inline equations */
img { vertical-align: middle; }
/* This sets padding for display equations (but not in-line ones) */
.MathJax_SVG_Display { padding: 1em 0; }
/* This prevents the Create PDF button being reproduced in the PDF document */
/* Use this method to suppress other parts of the web-page from displaying */
#mpdf-create { display: none; }
/* Add any other CSS styling here for the rest of the document */
/* The CSS/stylesheet information from the original page is not accessible here */
';

$mpdf->WriteHTML($stylesheet,1);

$mpdf->WriteHTML($html);
$mpdf->Output();
exit;

```

3b) Or you could output the prepared SVG code suitable for including directly in your PDF documents:

#### Example of 2nd part of example\_test.php to output the code to a browser

```

...
// To output SVG files (one for each formula) readable by mPDF as text output
header('Content-type: text/plain');

```

```
preg_match_all('/<svg(.*)</svg>/', $html, $m);
for ($i=0;$i<count($m[0]);$i++) {
    $svg = $m[0][$i];
    $svg = preg_replace('/>/', ">\n", $svg);    // Just add some new lines
    echo $svg. "\n\n";
}
exit;
```

See an example: <http://mpdf1.com/common/mpdf/examples/MathJaxSample.htm>

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