

# Math with MathJax 2

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

**Note:** This version has an updated script which should work in all browsers.

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) ]

<h3>Standard Deviation (MathML)</h3>
<math
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rt><mo>.</mo></mrow></math>

<h3>Inline equation (TeX)</h3>
<p>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.</p>

<!-- 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>

</body>
</html>
```

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('/<svg[^>]*>\s*(<defs.*?>.*?</defs>)\s*</svg>/', $html, $m);
$defs = $m[1];

$html = preg_replace('/<svg[^>]*>\s*<defs.*?</defs>\s*</svg>/', '', $html);

$html = preg_replace('/(<svg[^>]*>)/', "\1".$defs, $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);
}
```

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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