

# Pdflatex not working with flextable

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library(flextable)

# different ways to access quarto metadata ----
## Many things listed in quarto_metadata, like default options, but not the current options
quarto_metadata <- knitr::opts_current$get()
saveRDS(quarto_metadata, "./quarto_metadata.rds")

## Only works for quarto version beyond 1.8, but lots of nice execution operations
quarto_metadata_second_way <- jsonlite::read_json(
  Sys.getenv("QUARTO_EXECUTE_INFO"))
# two ways to reach the pdf-engine
all.equal(quarto_metadata_second_way$format$pandoc$pdf_engine`,
           quarto_metadata_second_way$format$metadata$format$pdf$pdf_engine`)

[1] TRUE

saveRDS(quarto_metadata_second_way, "./quarto_metadata_second_way.rds")

## This command returns exactly the yaml of the header, great!! :-)
rmarkdown_metadata <- rmarkdown::metadata
saveRDS(rmarkdown_metadata, "./rmarkdown_metadata.rds")

## Returns only the output file
rmarkdown_pandoc_args <- knitr::opts_knit$get("rmarkdown.pandoc.args")
saveRDS(rmarkdown_pandoc_args, "./rmarkdown_pandoc_args.rds")

## programmatic ways to run qmd, or Rmd scripts ----
# rmarkdown::render("./tests/testthat/qmd/use-printer-with-pdflatex.qmd",
#                 output_format = c("pdf_document"),
#                 output_file = "C:/Users/basti/OneDrive/04. BNCL (Post Doc)/Open-Source D
# quarto::quarto_render("./tests/testthat/qmd/use-printer-with-pdflatex.qmd")
```

- `flextable` with Equations, see Table 1:

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eqs_flextable <- c(
  "(ax^2 + bx + c = 0)",
  "a \neq 0",
  "x = {-b \pm \sqrt{b^2-4ac}} / {2a}"
df <- tibble::tibble(`Y \sim W` = eqs_flextable)

ft <- flextable(df) |>
  compose(j = 1, part = "header",
          value = as_paragraph(as_equation(`Y \sim W`, width = 2, height = .5)),
          use_dot = TRUE) |>
  compose(j = 1, part = "body",
          value = as_paragraph(as_equation(`Y \sim W`, width = 2, height = .5))) |>
  align(align = "center", part = "all")

ft

```

Warning: fonts used in `flextable` are ignored because the `pdflatex` engine is used and not `xelatex` or `lualatex`. You can avoid this warning by using the `set\_flextable\_defaults(fonts\_ignore=TRUE)` command or use a compatible engine by defining `latex\_engine: xelatex` in the YAML header of the R Markdown document.

Table 1

$$\begin{array}{c}
 \overline{Y \sim W} \\
 \hline
 (ax^2 + bx + \\
 c = 0) \\
 a \neq 0 \\
 \hline
 x = \\
 \frac{-b \pm \sqrt{b^2 - 4ac}}{2a}
 \end{array}$$