SugarTeX

SugarTeX is a more readable LaTeX language extension and a transcompiler to LaTeX.

See PDF version of this documentation (outdated!) - it nicely renders all Unicode characters and LaTeX example at the end. See original markdown version here.

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Command line interfaces

1. sugartex:

```
Usage: sugartex [OPTIONS] [T0]
```

Reads from stdin and writes to stdout. Can have single argument/option only.

When no args or the arg is not from options then run Pandoc SugarTeX filter

that iterates over math blocks.

Options:

- --kiwi Same as above but with kiwi flavor,
- --help Show this message and exit.

2. pre-sugartex:

```
Usage: pre-sugartex [OPTIONS]

Reads from stdin and writes to stdout.
When no options: only replace
U+02CE Modifier Letter Low Grave Accent
(that looks like low '`') with $

Options:
--all Full SugarTeX replace with regexp,
--kiwi Same as above but with kiwi flavor,
--help Show this message and exit.
```

Panflute scripts are also installed so you can use it in default Panflute automation interface in metadata or recommended panfl CLI:

```
• panfl sugartex --to markdown,
```

• panfl sugartex.kiwi -t markdown.

Examples. Windows:

```
chcp 65001 > NUL
set PYTHONIOENCODING=utf-8

type doc.md | ^
pre-sugartex | ^
pandoc -f markdown --filter sugartex -o doc.md.md
```

Unix:

```
export PYTHONIOENCODING=utf-8
cat doc.md | \
```

```
pre-sugartex | \
pandoc -f markdown --filter sugartex -o doc.md.md
```

Or splitting Pandoc reader-writer:

```
chcp 65001 > NUL
set PYTHONIOENCODING=utf-8

type doc.md | ^
pre-sugartex | ^
pandoc -f markdown -t json | ^
sugartex --kiwi | ^
pandoc -f json -o doc.md.md
```

Tweaking SugarTeX

SugarTeX is written in python and has a tweakable architecture. As you can see in this filter tweaks can be made in between:

```
sugartex = SugarTeX(ready=False)
...
sugartex.ready()
```

Attributes of instance of SugarTeX class can be changed. See them in defining of SugarTeX class and in it's __init__ method here. List of attributes:

- .brackets
- .brackets_types
- .simple_pre

```
• .superscripts
```

- .subscripts
- .regex_pre
- .null_ops (class NullOps)
- .pref_un_ops (class PrefUnOps), including:
 - .styles (class Styles)
 - o .other_styles (class OtherStyles)
 - .pref_un_greedy (class PrefUnGreedy)
- .postf_un_ops (class PostfUnOps)
- .bin_centr_ops (class BinCentrOps), including:
 - .matrices (class Matrices)
 - .bin_centr_greedy (class BinCentrGreedy)
- .loop_regexps
- .regex_post
- .simple_post
- .escapes

SugarTeX replacements and operators

Many replacements use amsmath macros.

Math delimiters

In default use-case SugarTeX first preprocesses text replacing with \$ (modifier letter low grave accent U+02CE). Can be escaped: \

SugarTeX Completions for Atom:

- \ ← \\$.

New escape character

In SugarTeX the default escape character is \ . But it's a special symbol in LaTeX. In cases when \ would work as escaping character you can use \ or \ (modifier letter grave accent). At the end it will be replaced with \ .

SugarTeX Completions for Atom:

• ` ← \` (modifier letter grave accent).

Brackets

Independently replace brackets:

- _(\rightarrow \left({ and). \rightarrow }\right) (modifier letter low ring U+02F3),
- ..(\rightarrow \bigl(and).. \rightarrow \bigr),
- ..(\rightarrow \Bigl(and).. \rightarrow \Bigr),
- ..(\rightarrow \biggl(and).. \rightarrow \biggr),
- ...(\rightarrow \Bigg1(and)... \rightarrow \Biggr) (modifier letter low vertical line U+02CC).

Instead of (and) can be other brackets:

- [\rightarrow [and] \rightarrow],
- (\rightarrow (and) \rightarrow),

- $\{ \rightarrow \setminus \{ \text{ and } \} \rightarrow \setminus \}$,
- \mid \rightarrow \vert (box drawings light vertical U+2502, for math in markdown tables),
- ullet | o \vert ,
- \parallel \rightarrow \Vert (double vertical line U+2016),
- \longrightarrow and \longrightarrow (modifier letter low left/right arrowhead U+02F1/U+02F2),
- $\langle \rightarrow \rangle$ angle and $\rangle \rightarrow \rangle$ (mathematical left/right angle bracket U+27E8/27E9),
- [\rightarrow \lfloor and] \rightarrow \rfloor (left/right floor U+230A/U+230B),
- [\rightarrow \lceil and] \rightarrow \rceil (left/right ceiling U+2308/U+2309.

SugarTeX Completions for Atom:

Use these shortcuts for fast Unicode typing in Atom:

- . ← _o\small,

- | ← \| ,

- ⟨ , ⟩ ⟨ , < > ,
- ⟨ ← \<\ ,
- ⟨⟩
 ⟨

```
• | ← \lfloor,
```

- [← \lceil,
-] ← \rceil.

Simple pre-replacements

```
• \sqrt[3]{} \rightarrow 3\sqrt{} (cube root U+221B),
```

•
$$\sqrt[4]{} \rightarrow 4\sqrt{}$$
 (fourth root U+221C),

•
$$\longrightarrow \setminus$$
, (thin space U+2009).

${\it SugarTeX~Completions~for~Atom}:$

```
• ← \, (thin space),
```

- ← \],[(thin space),
- √ ← \^1/2 ,
- $\sqrt[3]{} \leftarrow \sqrt^1/3$,
- ⁴√ ← \^1/4.

Superscripts and Subscripts

Groups of superscript Unicode characters like 123 are replaced with 123 . Unless they are escaped with 123 or followed by $^{\checkmark}$:

```
• \backslash 1^2 \sqrt{3} \rightarrow 123 \sqrt{3} (square root U+221A),
```

•
$$\backslash 123 \rightarrow 1 \land \{23\}$$
,

•
$$^{123abc} \rightarrow ^{4}\{123abc\}$$
.

Same is for groups of subscript Unicode characters:

•
$$\setminus_{123} \rightarrow _{1-}\{23\}$$
.

```
• _{123klm} \rightarrow _{4}123klm.
```

List of supported characters can be found in the beginning of the SugarTeX source code.

UPDATE

Now $\langle \cdot \rangle$ and $\lceil \cdot \rceil$ from Styles with special brackets end up inside $_{\{\}} / ^{\{\}}$, like: $A \leftarrow_{ae} \rightarrow A_{\{ae} \rightarrow_{ae} \rightarrow_{ae$

SugarTeX Completions for Atom:

- ₁ ← _1 ,
- a ← _a ,
- ¹ ← \^1 ,
- a ← \^a.

Regular expressions pre-replacements

Nothing. But can be tweaked.

Nullary operators

Big operators replacements:

- $\Sigma \rightarrow \text{\sum}$ (n-ary summation U+2211),
- Σ : \rightarrow \sum\nolimits,
- Σ : \rightarrow \sum\limits (braille pattern dots-48 U+2888).

Supported symbols for limits:

- :, : \rightarrow \limits (braille pattern dots-48/dots-17 U+2888/U+2841),
- :, :, : \rightarrow \nolimits (braille pattern dots-23/dots-56 U+2806/U+2830).

Supported big operators:

- $\Sigma \rightarrow \text{\sum}$,
- $\Pi \rightarrow \backslash prod$,
- $\int \rightarrow \setminus int$,
- \iint \rightarrow \iint,
- \iiint \rightarrow \iiiint,
- $\phi \rightarrow \text{ } \setminus \text{oint}$.

Who knows what I was thinking about by adding them here instead of Regular expressions replacements...

SugarTeX Completions for Atom:

- : ← \:\ ,
- : ← \:\small,
- $\Sigma \leftarrow \text{\sum}$,
- ∏ ← \prod,
- $\int \leftarrow \setminus int$,
- \iint \leftarrow \iint,
- \iiint \leftarrow \iiint,
- \iiint \leftarrow \iiiint,
- \oint \leftarrow \oint.

Prefix unary operators

Styles

Text inside standard brackets ((), [], {}) with special prefix is replaced with style operator. For example:

```
[rtext] or [^{r}text] \rightarrow \mathrm{text}.
```

First SugarTeX finds opening part like [^{r}] then searches for the first non-escaped closing part] that is not inside {} or __, - SugarTeX counts opening and closing {}__, (_, would later be replaced with {} so both are counted together). For example:

```
(rsome\{te)(t\}) \rightarrow \mathrm{some{te)(t)}}.
```

List of available styles:

- $\{ \text{rtext} \} / \{ \text{r} \} \text{text} \} \rightarrow \text{mathrm} \{ \text{text} \} \text{ (math regular)},$
- $\{ix\}$ / $\{^{\Lambda}\{i\}x\}$ \rightarrow \mathit $\{x\}$ (math italic),
- $\{bx\}$ / $\{^bx\}$ \rightarrow \mathbf{x} (math bold),
- $\{\beta x\}$ / $\{^{\alpha}\{\beta\}x\}$ \rightarrow \boldsymbol $\{x\}$ (math bold italic),
- $\{mtext\}$ / $\{ntext\}$ \rightarrow \mathtt{text} (math monospace),
- {cA} / {^{c}A} → \mathcal{A} (math calligraphic, no cyrillic support, see Monotype Corsiva),
- $\{^{t} \text{text}\} / \{^{t} \text{text}\} \rightarrow \text{text} \{\text{text}\}$
- $\{titext\}$ / $\{fitext\}$ \rightarrow \textit $\{text\}$ (text italic),
- {tbtext} / {^{tb}text} → \textbf{text} (text bold),
- $\{ {}^{t}\beta text \}$ / $\{ {}^{t}\beta text \}$ \rightarrow \textit{\textbf{text}} \) (text bold italic),

- $\{\vec{x}\}\ / \{\vec{x}\} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ \mathbf{x} (vector bold notation, combining right arrow above U+20D7, first one is 'space' + \vec{x}),
- {:x} / {: x} → \mathbf{x} (vector bold notation, braille pattern dots-45/dots-12 U+2818/U+2803 [right upper 2/left upper 2]),
- $\{ \text{"A} \} / \{ \text{"A} \} \rightarrow \text{hathbf} \{ A \} \text{ (matrix bold notation, braille pattern dots-} 124/dots-} 1245 U+280B/U+281B).$

SugarTeX Completions for Atom:

- → ← \^-> ,
- " ← \^::,
- " ← \array,
- " ← \^:.\rot,
- " ← \matrix.

Styles with special brackets

- $\langle \beta \text{text} \rangle / \langle \beta \rangle \text{text} \rightarrow \text{textit{\textbf{text}}} \text{ (text bold italic),}$
- <itext> / <^{i}text> → \textit{text} (text italic),
- <btext> / <^{b}text> → \textbf{text} (text bold),
- <text> → \text{text} (text regular, single left/right-pointing angle quotation mark U+2039/U+203A),
- 'text' \rightarrow \mathrm{text} (math regular, modifier letter begin/end high tone U+02F9/U+02FA).

SugarTeX Completions for Atom:

Greedy prefix unary operators

• $\{ \in \text{smth} \} / \{ \in \text{smth} \} \rightarrow \text{begin}\{\text{cases}\}$ smth\end{cases} (piecewise, element of with long horizontal stroke U+22F2).

SugarTeX finds non-escaped $\{\in \text{ or } \in \text{ first then searches for non-escaped } \text{ or } \text{ that is not inside } \{\} \text{ or } \text{ - SugarTeX counts opening and closing } \{\}_{\leftarrow} \text{ (, } \text{ would later be replaced with } \{\} \text{ so both are counted together}).}$

${\it SugarTeX~Completions~for~Atom}:$

- ∈ ← \-e,
- ∈ ← \-E.

Standard prefix unary operators

• <matrix a → \begin{matrix} a (left-pointing curved angle bracket U+29FC),

- ⊕ A² a → \vphantom{A^2} a
 (invisible characters that adjust height, ghost U+1F47B),
- → text a → \xrightarrow{text} a

 (arrow with text above that adjusts to the text length, rightwards arrow U+2192, top square bracket U+23B4),
- \leftarrow long text, a \rightarrow \xleftarrow{{long text}} a (leftwards arrow U+2190).

SugarTeX finds non-escaped < * first (for example) then searches for a place before non-escaped } , , , space, newline or end of the string that is not inside {} or _, - SugarTeX counts opening and closing {} , , would later be replaced with {} so both are counted together).

SugarTeX Completions for Atom:

- ⟨ ← \<\\ ,
- → \ ← \>\\ ,
- ⟨⟩ ← \<>\\ ,
- $\textcircled{3} \leftarrow \$ \ghost ,
- ¬ ← \^^ ,
- → ← \-> ,
- ← ← \<-.

Postfix unary operators

a x[→] → a \vec{x} (vector,
 combining right arrow above U+20D7),

- a x⁻ → a \overrightarrow{x} (arrow above, combining right harpoon above U+20D1),
- a $x^{\wedge} \rightarrow$ a \widehat{x} warning: works only if the next character after ^ is }, , newline or end of the string,
- a $x^{^{\circ}} \rightarrow$ a \hat{x} (modifier letter circumflex accent U+02C6),
- $a x^- \rightarrow a \setminus bar\{x\} \pmod{U+00AF}$,
- a $x^- \rightarrow$ a \overline{x} (overline U+203E),
- a $x' \rightarrow a \cdot dot\{x\}$ (dot above U+02D9),
- a $x^{"} \rightarrow$ a $\dot\{x\}$ (diaeresis U+00A8),
- $x + y+z^{-} \rightarrow x + \text{overbrace}\{y+z\}$ (top curly bracket U+23DE),
- $x + \{y + z\}_{\sim} \rightarrow x + \$ (bottom curly bracket U+23DF),
- a x_{_} → a \underline{x}
 warning: works only if the next character after _ is } , , , newline or end of the string (modifier letter low macron U+02CD),
- a matrix → a \end{matrix}
 (right-pointing curved angle bracket U+29FD),

SugarTeX finds non-escaped *> first (for example) then before it searches for a place after non-escaped { , , , space, newline or start of the string that is not inside {} or , - SugarTeX counts opening and closing {}, (, would later be replaced with {} so both are counted together).

In combination with styles:

When combining **one-character** postfix unary operators with styles the order in which operators are applied changes:

```
[bx^{\rightarrow}] \rightarrow \text{vec}\{\text{mathbf}\{x\}\}
```

${\it SugarTeX~Completions~for~Atom}:$

- → ← \^-> , ← \^-> \har ,
- ^ ← \^\small,
- ⁻ ← \^_\small (macron),
- $\overline{}$ \leftarrow \^-\small (macron),
- · ← \^.
- " ← \^...
- ~ ← \^}\rot ,
- -
- ⟨ ← \<\\ ,
- ⟨⟩ ← \<>\\.

Center binary operators

Matrices

Family of *matrix amsmath macros is given by | operator (broken bar U+00A6, braille pattern dots-124 U+280B):

All brackets:

- a b ¦ c d → ...matrix... (no brackets, modifier letter low left/right arrowhead U+02F1/U+02F2),
- {a _b | c _d} → ...Bmatrix... (curly brackets),
- $(a b | c d) / ((a b | c d)) \rightarrow \dots pmatrix...,$
- ${[a b | c d]} / {[a b | c d]} \rightarrow ...bmatrix...,$
- [a .b | c .d], / {|a .b | c .d|} /
 [a .b | c .d], / {|a .b | c .d|} → ...vmatrix...

 (box drawings light vertical U+2502, for math in markdown tables),
- { $\|a \cdot b \|^{n} c \cdot d\|$ } / { $\|a \cdot b \|^{n} c \cdot d\|$ } \longrightarrow ...Vmatrix... (double vertical line U+2016).

SugarTeX finds non-escaped binary operator separator | first then:

- searches for a place after non-escaped { or _ that is not inside {} or _ ,
- searches for a place before non-escaped } or , that is not inside
 {} or , ,
- it also figures out bracket type properly,
- this way it finds two arguments (SugarTeX counts opening and closing {},, , would later be replaced with {} so both are counted together).

SugarTeX Completions for Atom:

- ⋅ \& ,
- . ← _o\small ,
- | ← \| |

```
• <sub><</sub> ← \_< ,
```

•
$$\mid \leftarrow \setminus \mid /2$$
,

General fractions without bars

Fractions works almost the same as Matrices - they add brackets and stack arguments: first arg is atop of the second arg. But with dome differences:

- they use | or | as a separator (broken bar U+00A6, braille pattern dots-45 U+2818 / dots-12 U+2803),
- cannot handle more than one line break (so two args only),
- they use \genfrac amsmath macro,
- they can have size modifiers after |::

```
o d / ^{d} - display mode,
```

• left and right brackets can be different.

Examples:

• {x|:y} (curly brackets),

- [x|:y] (no brackets, modifier letter low left/right arrowhead U+02F1/U+02F2),
- [|x|:y|], [|x|:y|] (box drawings light vertical U+2502, for math in markdown tables),
- $\|x\|^{1/2}$ (double vertical line U+2016).

Arguments search algorithm is the same as for matrices.

SugarTeX Completions for Atom:

- | ← \ | | ,

- ⟨ , | ← | _<> ,
- ↓ ← \\,
- I ← \|/2 ,

Greedy center binary operators

Arguments search algorithm is the same as for matrices (except it now does not have brackets).

```
...(a .b |" t c .d,)...
```

```
2. smth1 \mid smth2 \rightarrow
     \begin{array}smth1|smth2\end{array},
   (Braille Pattern Dots-1245 U+281B).
$$
.[,
                                    cccc|c
     X<sub>11</sub> , X<sub>12</sub> , X<sub>13</sub> , ... , X<sub>1n</sub>
     X_{21} X_{22} X_{23} \dots X_{2n}
     : . : . : . . : |
     X_{p1} X_{p2} X_{p3} \dots X_{pn} 
$$
3. smth1 \mid \# smth2 \longrightarrow
     \begin{aligned}smth1|smth2\end{aligned} ,
  |x| = \{x \in X : \langle if \rangle x \ge 0 \}
                -x <if> x<0 \ ...
4. smth1 \mid smth2 \mid / smth1 \mid smth2 \rightarrow
     \substack{smth1|smth2},
   (modifier letter shelf U+02FD / bottom square bracket U+23B5)
\sum_{i=1}^{n} \{0 \le i \le N \mid 0 \le j \le M\} (ij)^3
5. smth1 \mid 1 smth2 \mid / smth1 \mid 1 smth2 \rightarrow
     \begin{subarray}{1}smth1|smth2\end{subarray} ,
   (modifier letter shelf U+02FD / bottom square bracket U+23B5)
\sum_{i=1}^{n} \{0 \le i \le N \mid_{i=1}^{n} 0 \le j \le M\} (ij)^{3}
```

Instead of 1 (left) it can also be c (center) or r (right).

${\it SugarTeX~Completions~for~Atom}:$

- _ ← _]\rot ,
- _ ← _]\rot2,
- | ← \\ ,
- | ← \|/2.

Standard center binary operators

Fractions

- $x/y \rightarrow \frac{x}{y}$ (division slash U+2215),
- $1+x/y \rightarrow \frac{1+x}{y}$,
- 1 + $\{x + z\}/y \rightarrow 1 + \frac{\{x + z\}}{\{y\}}$,
- $x/dy \rightarrow \{dfrac\{x\}\{y\}\},\$
- $x/^ty \rightarrow \text{tfrac}\{x\}\{y\}$,
- $x/^cy \rightarrow \langle cfrac\{x\}\{y\} ,$
- $x/^sy$ and $x/^xsy$ are the same as $x/^ty$ but smaller and use $\ensuremath{\backslash} genfrac$ macros. Bar thickness can be set this way: $\{0.5px\}x/^sy$.

Roots, overset, underset

- $\sqrt{64} \rightarrow \sqrt{[3]{64}}$ (square root U+221A),
- $^{6}\sqrt{64} \rightarrow \sqrt{61}\{64\}$,
- $1 + {}^{6}\sqrt{64} \rightarrow 1 + \sqrt{61}{61}{64}$

- $\lceil \lim_{x\to 0} / \lceil \lim_{x\to 0} \to \mathbb{x} \rceil$ (modifier letter shelf U+02FD / bottom square bracket U+23B5),
- $\{x + ... + x\}^{\text{m}}\{k < \text{times}\}\}$ \rightarrow \overset $\{\{k < \text{times}\}\}\{\{x + ... + x\}^{\text{m}}\}$ (top square bracket U+23B4).

Binomial coefficients

- $(i \mid ^c n) \rightarrow \text{binom}\{i\}\{n\}$,
- $(i|^{cd}n) \rightarrow \langle dbinom\{i\}\{n\} (display),$
- $(i|^{ct}n) \rightarrow \text{tbinom}\{i\}\{n\} \text{ (text)}.$

In this case SugarTeX finds non-escaped binary operator separator | c first then searches for (and) . Other stop symbols do not work.

SugarTeX finds non-escaped binary operator separator (like /) first then:

- searches for a place after non-escaped { , , , space, newline or start of the string that is not inside {} or , ,
- searches for a place before non-escaped } , , space, newline or end of the string that is not inside {} or , ,
- this way it finds two arguments (SugarTeX counts opening and closing {},, , would later be replaced with {} so both are counted together).

SugarTeX Completions for Atom:

- ☐ ← __,
- _ ← _]\rot ,
- _ ← _]\rot2 ,
- ¬ ← \^^ ,

- / ← \/ ,
- √ ← \^1/2 ,
- | ← \\ ,
- ↓ ← \|/2.

Regular expressions loop replacements

Nothing. But can be tweaked.

Regular expressions post-replacements

Nothing. But can be tweaked.

Simple post-replacements

- \uparrow \rightarrow $\backslash \backslash$ (broken bar U+00A6, this should be after other \uparrow replacements),
- . \rightarrow & (modifier letter low ring U+02F3, this should be after brackets and other . replacements),
- \rightarrow { and \rightarrow } (modifier letter low left/right arrowhead U+02F1/U+02F2),
- \square \longrightarrow \square (modifier letter low macron U+02CD),
- $\bullet \quad ` \quad \to \quad \backslash \quad ,$
- \longrightarrow \ (modifier letter grave accent U+02CB),
- d \rightarrow \displaystyle (up down arrow U+2195),

```
• ^{x}{xs} \rightarrow \scriptscriptstyle,
```

- Superscripts and Subscripts replacements give:
- $^{d} \rightarrow \text{displaystyle}$,
- t \rightarrow \textstyle,
- $^{s} \rightarrow \text{\scriptstyle},$
- $^{xs} \rightarrow$ \scriptscriptstyle.

SugarTeX Completions for Atom:

- $\mid \leftarrow \mid \mid /2$,
- ← \& ,
- \cdot _o\small,
- ← _< ,
- <> ← _<> ,
- _ ← _ ,
- ` ← \` (modifier letter grave accent).

Escapable characters

All one-character replacements from:

- Prefix unary operators,
- Postfix unary operators,
- Center binary operators,
- Nullary operators,
- Simple pre-replacements,

• Simple post-replacements,

```
and \in, \rightarrow, \uparrow, \updownarrow,
```

(element of with long horizontal stroke U+22F2, single right-pointing angle quotation mark U+203A, modifier letter end high tone U+02FA, up down arrow U+2195, modifier letter low vertical line U+02CC)

Examples

You can find SugarTeX examples in this document (SugarTeX code + rendered formulas).