

How to clean up Mathematica's ugly default output

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- By default, Mathematica's math output looks ugly

The default is called “standard form”. It looks clunky.

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In[ ]:= StandardForm[Integrate[x^2 Exp[-2 x] Cos[x], x] // Simplify]
Out[ ]//StandardForm=

$$\frac{1}{125} e^{-2x} \left( -2 (2 + 15x + 25x^2) \cos[x] + (22 + 40x + 25x^2) \sin[x] \right)$$

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“Traditional form” looks much better. You can always set it by applying the TraditionalForm function, but it would be nice to have this done by default

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In[ ]:= TraditionalForm[Integrate[x^2 Exp[-2 x] Cos[x], x] // Simplify]
Out[ ]//TraditionalForm=

$$\frac{1}{125} e^{-2x} \left( (25x^2 + 40x + 22) \sin(x) - 2(25x^2 + 15x + 2) \cos(x) \right)$$

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To make TraditionalForm the default for your output, follow the instructions here:
<https://support.wolfram.com/34575?src=mathematica>