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LATEX 2: Math mode & new commands

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• **display** style (*math environment* in narrow sense):

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For **cross references** to numbered equations \eqref{} can be used.

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```

Math packages

Some symbols can only be used when specific math packages are loaded.

Math packages from the American Mathematical Society (AMS)

```
\usepackage{amsmath}
\usepackage{amsfonts}
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```

\usepackage{amstext}

\usepackage{mathrsfs}

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\newcommand{\ab}[1]{$\langle$#1$\rangle$}
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\ab{buying a house}
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But try this:

```
\newcommand{\graph}[1]{\textlangle#1\textrangle}
\graph{test \graph{test}}
```

```
(3) \langle \text{test} \langle \text{test} \rangle \rangle
```

Defining a command without arguments (for abbreviations):

```
\newcommand{\ra}{$\rightarrow$}
\newcommand{\et}{$\type{e,t}$}
P \ra\ Q
\et
```

- (4) $P \rightarrow Q$
- (5) $\langle e, t \rangle$

Defining a command without arguments (for abbreviations):

Defining a command with more than one argument:

```
\newcommand{\citegen}[3]{#1's #2 (#3)}
\citegen{Abney}{dissertation}{1987} is considered a milestone in NP Syntax.
```

Abney's dissertation (1987) is considered a milestone in NP Syntax.

Exercise

Go to

https://github.com/langsci/latex4linguists/blob/master/1-2.md and follow the instructions of the **five blocks** in your .tex file.

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