

Beamer Slides using Pandoc and Markdown

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Introduction



Why and Why not

Why Markup Language?

- ▶ Separate “content” with “style”.

Why Pandoc and Beamer?

- ▶ For professional presentation.
- ▶ Tikz diagrams.
- ▶ Cross reference



A simple example intro.md

```
---  
title: Beamer Slides using Pandoc and Markdown  
author: Wai-Shing Luk  
bibliography: papers.bib  
...
```

```
# Introduction {#sec:intro}
```

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pandoc



pandoc

Pandoc is a Haskell library for converting from one markup format to another¹, and a command-line tool that uses this library. It can read Markdown and write L^AT_EX or Beamer.

To compile:

```
$ pandoc -s -t beamer beamer.yaml intro.md -o intro.tex
```

or directly to a pdf file:

```
$ pandoc -t beamer beamer.yaml intro.md -o intro.pdf
```

¹This is a footnote.



A simple header beamer.yaml

```
---
fontsize: 10pt
classoption:
  - serif,onlymath
institute: Fudan University
date: \today
link-citations: true
colorlinks: true
header-includes:
  - \usetheme{default}
  - \usepackage{tikz,pgf,pgfplots}
  - \usetikzlibrary{arrows}
  - \definecolor{qqqqff}{rgb}{0.,0.,1.}
  - \newcommand{\columnsbegin}{\begin{columns}}
  - \newcommand{\columnsend}{\end{columns}}
  - \newcommand{\col}[1]{\column{#1}}
  - \pgfdeclareimage[height=0.5cm]{fudan-logo}{fudan-logo.jpg}
  - \logo{\pgfuseimage{fudan-logo}}
...
```



Render Mathematical Equations using LaTeX

Consider the following problem:

```
$$\begin{array}{ll} \text{\text{minimize}} & f_0(x), \\ \text{\text{subject to}} & F(x) \text{\text{succeq}} 0, \end{array}$$ {#eq:semidef}
```

- $F(x)$: a matrix-valued function
- $A \text{\text{succeq}} 0$ denotes A is positive semidefinite.

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$$\begin{array}{ll} \text{minimize} & f_0(x), \\ \text{subject to} & F(x) \succeq 0, \end{array} \quad (1)$$

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How to make a two-column slide

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\columnsbegin
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\col{0.5\textwidth}
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Left-hand side

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\col{0.5\textwidth}
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Right-hand side

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\columnsend
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Figures

An image occurring by itself in a paragraph will be rendered as a figure with a caption.

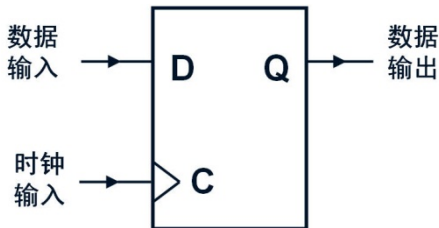


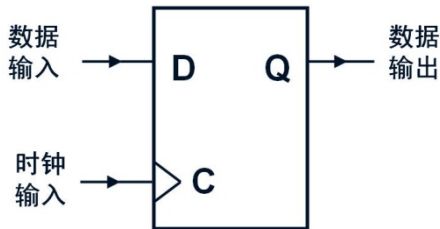
Figure 1: This is the caption

(source)

```
![This is the caption](media/image2.jpeg){#fig:figure0}
```

Figures (cont'd)

If you just want a regular inline image, just make sure it is not the only thing in the paragraph. One way to do this is to insert a nonbreaking space after the image:



(source)

![No caption](media/image2.jpeg)\

Render Diagrams using Tikz

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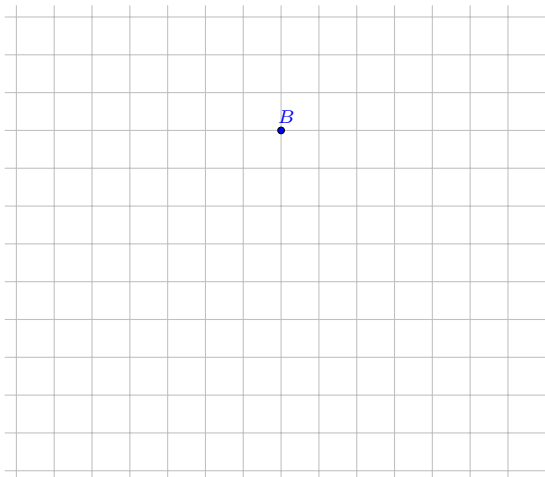


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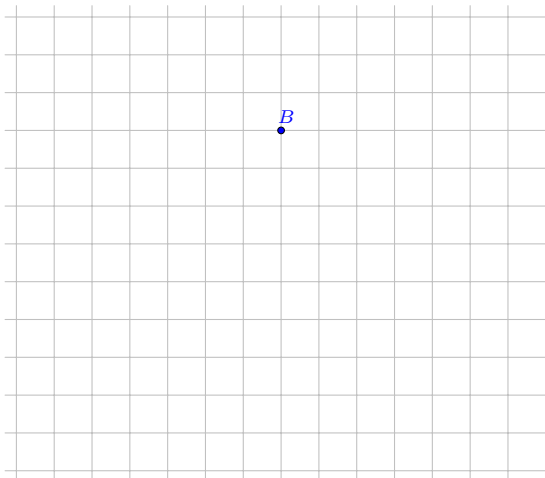


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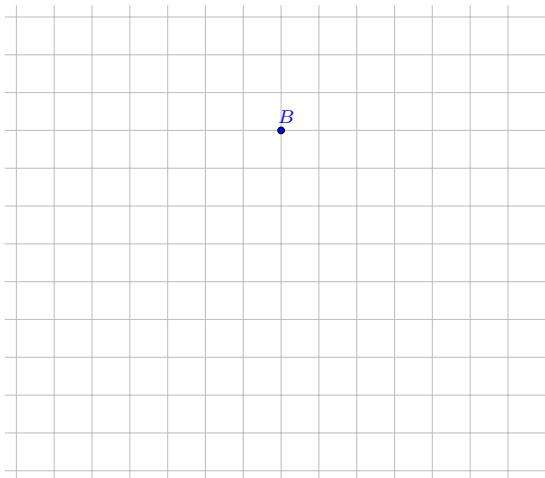


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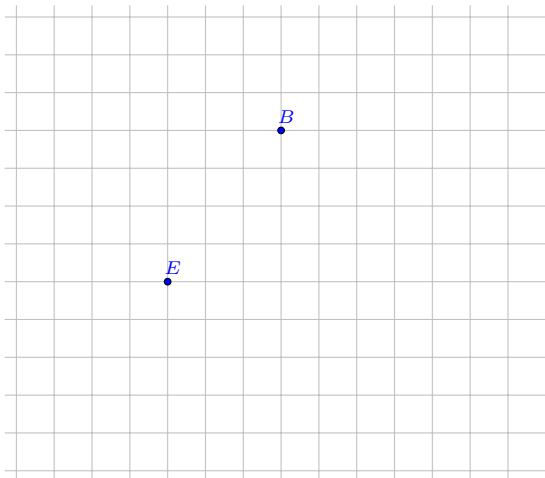


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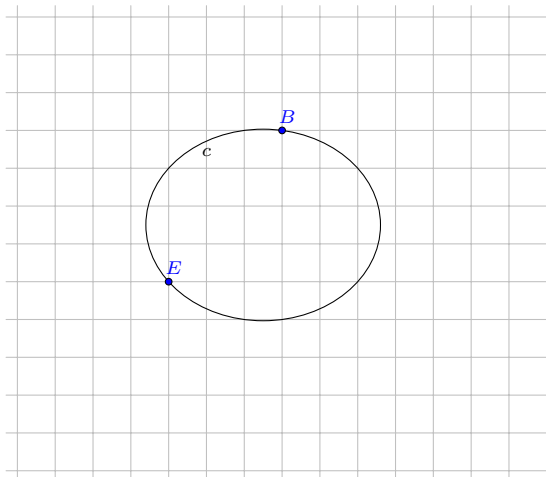


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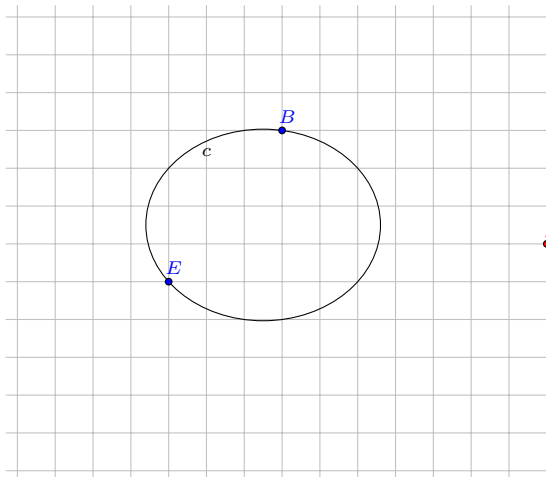


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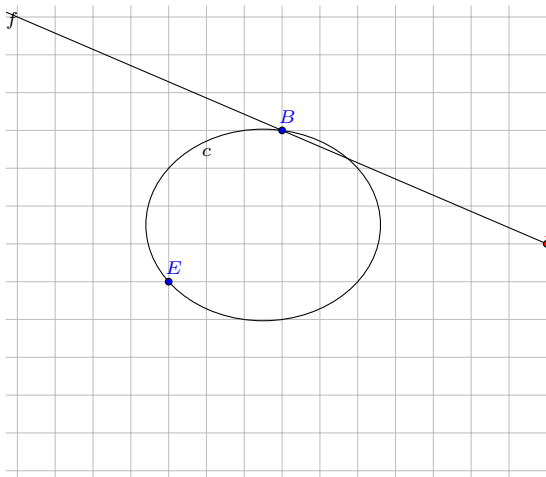


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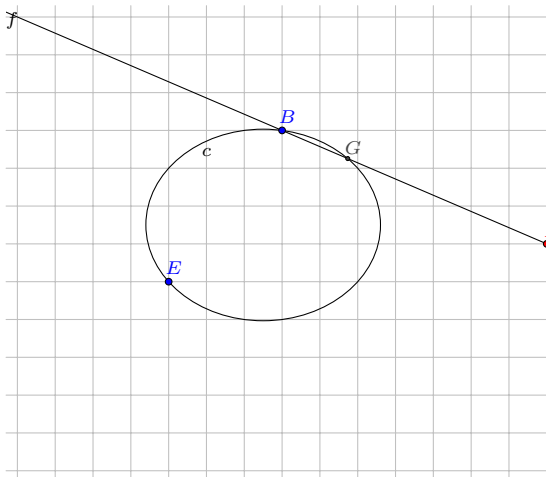


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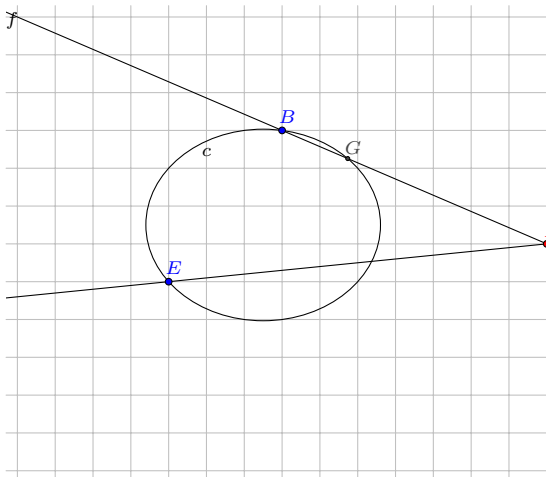


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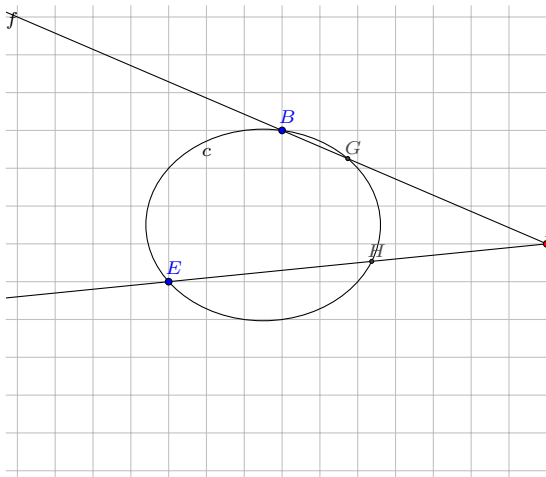


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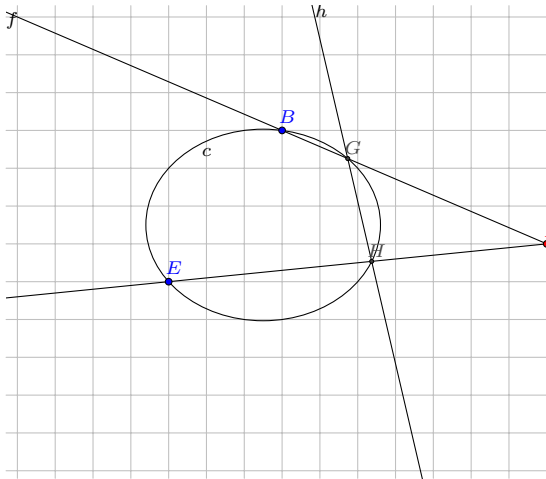


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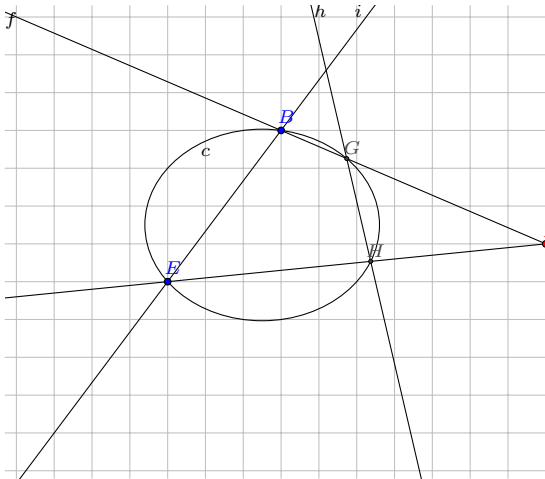


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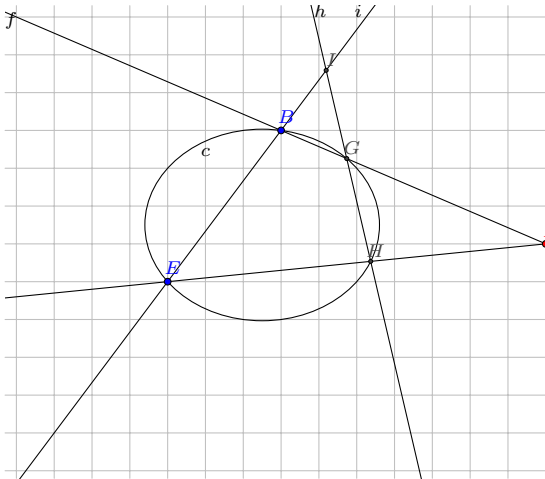


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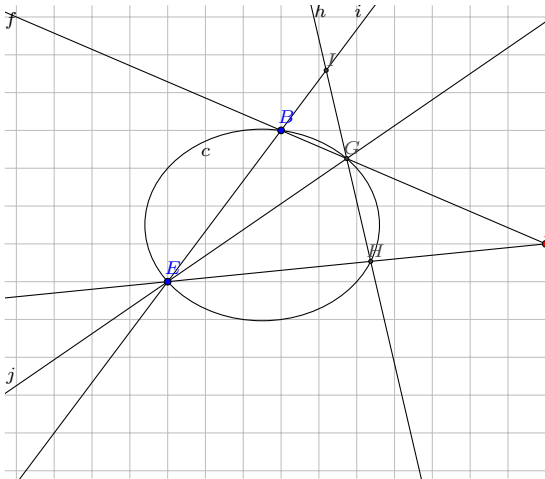


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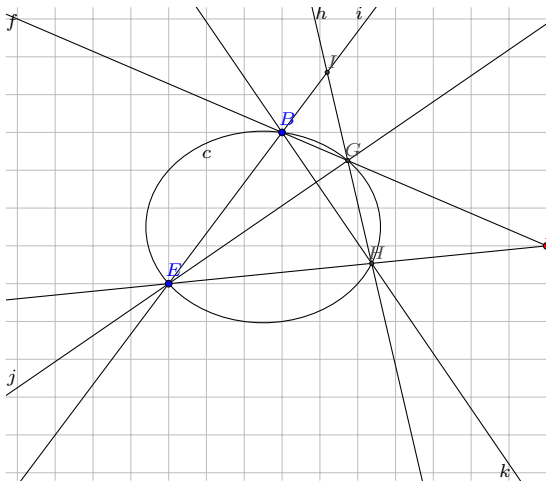


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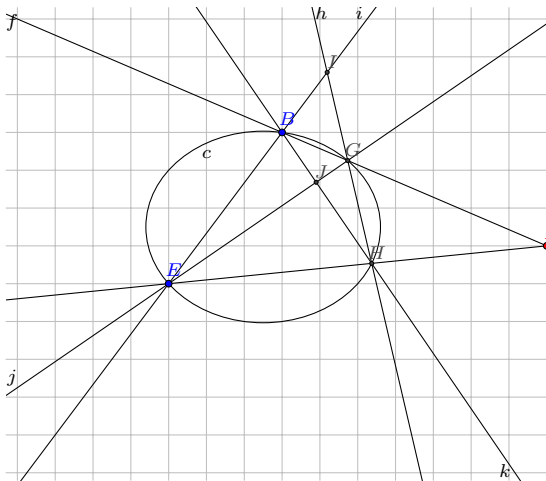


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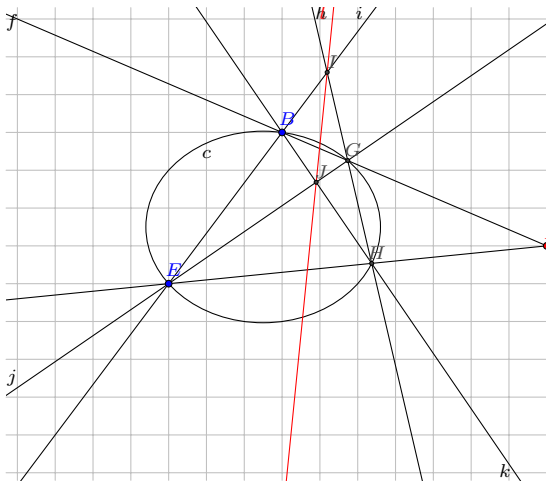


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Table

Simple tables can be generated using Markdown.

Costs	28nm	20nm
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Mask Costs	2M - 3M	5M - 8M
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: Fab, process, mask, and design costs {#tbl:fab}

Table 1: Fab, process, mask, and design costs

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pandoc-crossref filter



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With this filter, you can cross-reference figures (see Fig. 1 and Fig. 2), display equations (see Eq. (1)), tables (see Table 1) and sections § 1, § 2

There is also support for code blocks, for example, ????

To compile:

```
$ pandoc -F pandoc-crossref -t beamer beamer.yaml \
  crossref.yaml beamer.md -o intro.pdf
```



A sample crossref.yaml

```
---
cref: True
codeBlockCaptions: True
lofTitle: "## List of Figures"
lotTitle: "## List of Tables"
autoSectionLabels: True
figureTemplate: $$t$$
tableTemplate: $$t$$
figPrefix:
  - "Fig."
eqnPrefix:
  - "Eq."
tblPrefix:
  - "Table"
lstPrefix:
  - "Listing"
secPrefix:
  - "§"
...
```



Code blocks

There are a couple options for code block labels. Those work only if code block id starts with `lst:`, e.g. `{#lst:label}`



caption attribute

`caption` attribute will be treated as code block caption. If code block has both `id` and `caption` attributes, it will be treated as numbered code block.

```
main :: IO ()  
main = putStrLn "Hello World!"
```

(source)

```
{#lst:captionAttr .haskell caption="Listing caption A"}
```



Table-style captions

Enabled with `codeBlockCaptions` metadata option. If code block is immediately adjacent to paragraph, starting with `Listing:` or `:`, said paragraph will be treated as code block caption.

Listing: Listing caption B

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pandoc-citeproc filter



Bibliography

- ▶ See Aalst, Weijters, and Maruster (2004), or
- ▶ See (Baldi et al. 2008; Canfora and Cerulo 2005).

(source)

- See @Aalst-etal_2004, or
- See [[@Baldi-etal_2008;@Canfora-Cerulo_2005a](#)] .

To compile:

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$ pandoc -F pandoc-crossref --citeproc -t beamer \
  beamer.yaml crossref.yaml beamer.md -o intro.pdf
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