

# MathTeX.m

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## Abstract

The package `MathTeX.m` enables `TeX` output from Mathematica.

## General:

- remove references to `layout` and `showframe` to remove visible page geometry
- the package `listings` must be available

## Files:

- `mtexdemo.mtex` which should be run with `$ math < mtexdemo.m`
- `MathTeX.m` which does the hard job and is run as a package.
- `listings` is a directory which includes the listings macros
- `mlistings.tex` is a file which loads some fragile listings commands

## Example:

The file `mtexdemo.mtex` should be run with the command

```
$ math < mtexdemo.mtex
```

It will generate two files, `mtexdemo.tex` and `mtexdemo.m`.

The file `mtexdemo.tex` can be handled with the command `pdflatex mtexdemo` whereas `mtexdemo.m` is suitable as input to the command line interface in mathematica and has all the special `mtex` constructions stripped.

## Usage:

The easiest way to get the hang of it is to look at `mtexdemo.tex` and compare it to tex output, `mtexdemo.m` and `mtexdemo.tex` to see what is going on.

This file is itself a demo using the `MathTeX.m` hack. Special escapes are

1. `((((( expression ))))`  
firsts lists ‘expression’ then executes it resulting in a listing in the document
2. `(*(( expression ))*)`  
lists ‘expression’ but does not execute it result
3. `(*$ lhs = TeX[ rhs ] $*)`  
formats rhs and places between \$ signs resulting in an inline mathematical expression in the document

4. `(*[ lhs = TeX[ rhs ] ]*)`

formats rhs and places between `[ ]` signs resulting in an equation in the document

5. `(*! lhs = TeX[ rhs ] !*)`

formats rhs and places between quotes so that it is interpreted as a latex expression rather than a math expression.

6. an optional period or comma can precede the closing `$`.

7. `TeX[struct_]`

can be defined to override `TeX` command

8. `TeXFormat[ mybeta ] := "\\beta_{my} "`

specifies formatting

9. `TeXFormat[ hh[a_,b_] ] := \dots`

would special format `hh[x,y]` .

The logic here is that the file should execute fine even if running the math script without `TeX`; there should be no side effects from `mtex` special constructions since they end up being parsed as comments. Thus only type (1) expressions are actually executed if `TeX.m` is missing.

With `TeX.m` two files are created; a `.tex` file containing the `TeX` code and a `.m` file containing the mathematica code. These should be usable separately. Since debugging is more difficult with the `.mtex` file this can be useful.

Note that if the file `file.mtex` is input *inside* mathematica, the `.mtex` commands are ignored.

The `lhs = TeX[rhs]` construction is somewhat fragile. `lhs` should not be interpreted and `lhs =` should be optional. The `=` sign is fragile. First example (1). Note that the code is executed so that `f` and `g` acquire definitions.

Listing 1: *Here a simple bit of code*

*mtexdemo.mtex*

```
(* Here a simple bit of code *)
f[x_] := Cos[ x ];
g[x_] := Expand[ ( x - 3)^2 ];
alpha = f[Pi/6];
```

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1  
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Here is a broken out equation, with an optional period at the end.

$$g[f[x]] = \cos^2(x) - 6 \cos(x) + 9.$$

Note that the construction `lhs = rhs` does not put through `lhs` through any tex parsing, so that it must be done explicitly

- $(3) \alpha = \frac{\sqrt{3}\beta}{2}$
- (5) :

`alpha beta =\frac{\sqrt{3} \beta }{2}`

- (4) :

$$\alpha\beta = \frac{\sqrt{3}\beta}{2}$$

Graphics in the commandline interface is a bit fragile. To have graphics output to screen, you must run the command `<< JavaGraphics'` . However this loads slowly and is not necessary when using the batch command. We now plot a simple figure and insert into the text. Note that `FigInsert` and `FigSave` violate the rule that the mathematica file runs with or without TeX, since the functions are defined in TeX TeX .

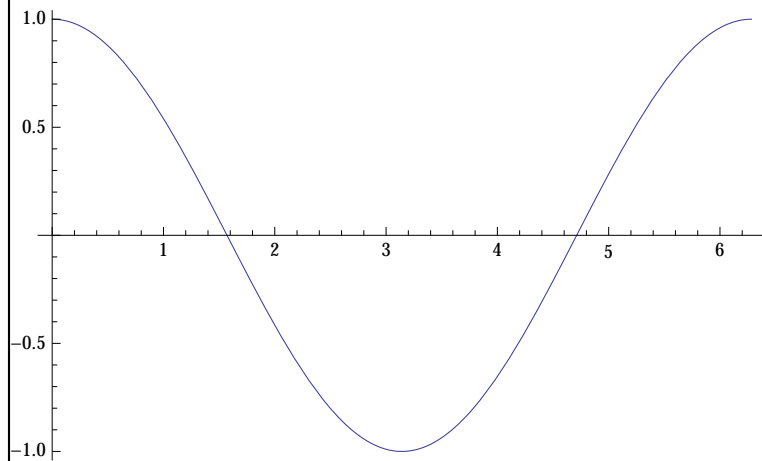


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Listing 2: *A small example showing that TeXForm is dumb* *mtexdemo.mtex*

```
(* A small example showing that TeXForm is dumb *)
(* It does not know how to format the variable mybeta and the function hh *)
sigma2 = Expand[ mybeta PauliMatrix[2] + hh[pp,qq] PauliMatrix[3 ] ];
```

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$$\sigma_2 = \begin{pmatrix} hh[pp,qq] & -imybeta \\ imybeta & -hh[pp,qq] \end{pmatrix}$$

Listing 3: *We format the variable mybeta* *mtexdemo.mtex*

```
(* We format the variable mybeta *)
TeXFormat[mybeta] := "\\beta_{my}";
TeXFormat[ hh[a_,b_] ] := "h_{\"<TeX[a]<>}^{\"<TeX[b]<>}" ;
```

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$$\sigma_2 = \begin{pmatrix} h_{pp}^{qq} & -i\beta_{my} \\ i\beta_{my} & -h_{pp}^{qq} \end{pmatrix}$$

You can define yourself how `TeX[ exp ]` handles `exp` . In this file, I simply put in `TeX[ ex_] := ToString[ TeXForm[ ex ]]` ; so that the program sends it to `TeXForm` . You can instead intercept the expression and parse it as you like. For example adding the lines below will intercept the handling of arrays.

Listing 4: *Override TeXForm for matrices*

*mtexdemo.mtex*

```
(* Override TeXForm for matrices *)
TeX[a_?MatrixQ] := Module[{exp, len, i},
  len = Length[ a[[1]] ];
  exp = "\\left[\\begin{array}{c}\\StringJoin[Table["c",{Length[a[[1]]]}]]<>"\\n";
  Do[
  Do[ exp = exp<>ToString[TeX[a[[i,j]]]]<>If[ j < len,"\\&_",""], {j,1,len}];
  If[ i < Length[a], exp = exp<>"\\\\\\n"],{i,1,Length[a]}];
  exp = exp<>"\\n";
  exp = exp<>"\\end{array}\\right]";
  Return[exp];
];
```

Now print this again

$$\sigma_2 = \begin{bmatrix} h_{pp}^{qq} & -i\beta_{my} \\ i\beta_{my} & -h_{pp}^{qq} \end{bmatrix}$$

So now the matrix is intercepted and printed with square brackets instead.

