

Dual World of T_EX Math and MathML

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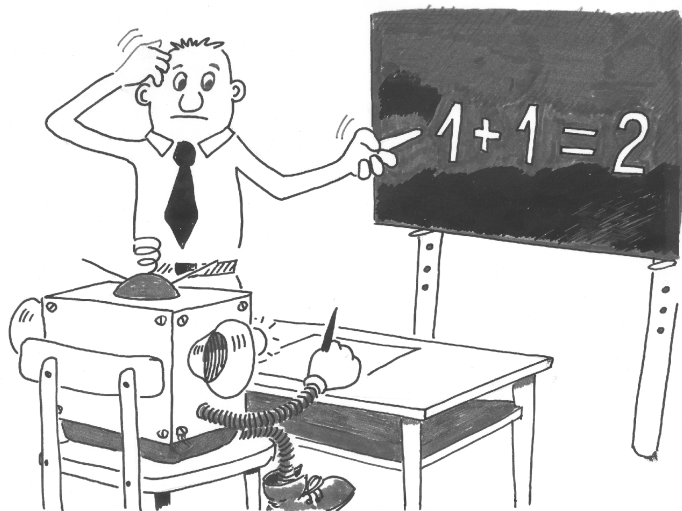
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The EUROPEAN DIGITAL
MATHEMATICS LIBRARY

Outline and take-home message

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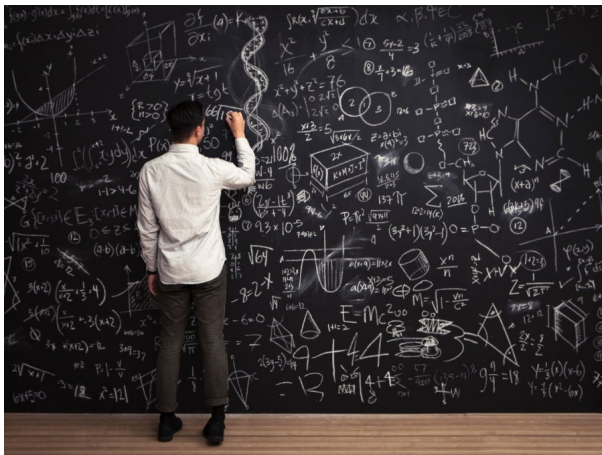
Mathematics is *specific and challenging* in many aspects



DEK was first to allow switching [math] typesetting from metallurgy to the *digital* world on an author's desktop computer



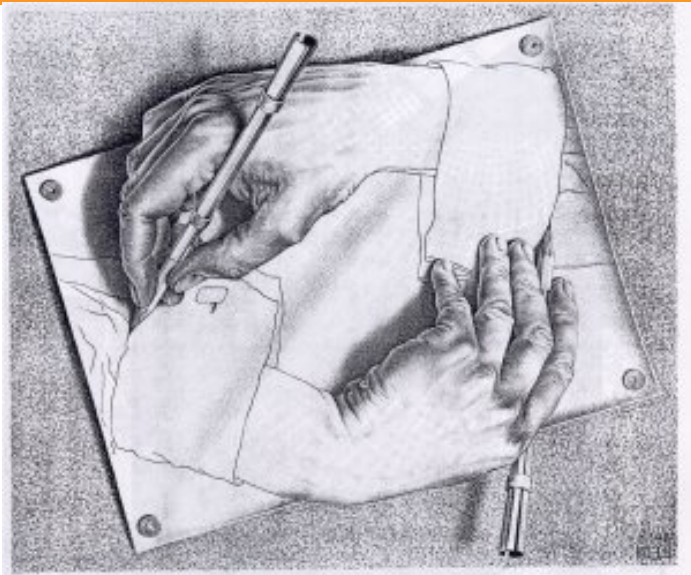
Complexity of Math (compared to text handling)



Complexity of Math compared to text

- typesetting of math has always been for masters
- structured objects within [linear] text
- different notations, fonts, growing symbols, spacing
- many levels of abstractions

Many levels of abstractions



Math in T_EX

- math-related stuff in the T_EXbook sums up to one third of the book
- two math *modes* in T_EX: inline math and display math
- T_EX's design *just* to mimic the old way (no dissemination in digital form meant): $\$x\over y\$$
- presentation (visual, structural) aspect predominant, CONTinuous and disCRETE, concrete mathematics

From $\backslash\text{over}$ to $\backslash\text{frac}$



Math in L^AT_EX

Q: *Three L^AT_EX mistakes that people should stop making?*

A: (by Lamport:)

- 1 Worrying too much about formatting and not enough about content.
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Math in L^AT_EX (cont.)

Q: *What's your view on mathematical typesetting in the future? Quantum leaps ahead?*

A: (by Lamport in 2000):

Standards are being driven by the marketplace, which cares only about the masses. So, mathematicians have no place in the brave new world of computing.

plainT_EX, AMST_EX, LAMST_EX, AMSL^AT_EX, L^AT_EX+AMS

- packages by AMS became de facto standard in math publishing industry; Context goes by My Way
- logical structure uniformly marked, variants (Nath et al.)
- widespread adoption and support where *validation* needed

Automated Math, Math Exchange

- for automated processing validation needed
- non-extensible markup preferred
- exchange and rendering on the Web
- XML: MathML by W3C

Presentation MathML

```

<math xmlns="http://www.w3.org/1998/Math/MathML"
      display="inline">
  <mrow>
    <mrow>
      <mi>x</mi>
      <mo>+</mo>
      <mi>y</mi>
    </mrow>
    <mo>=</mo>xml
    <mn>2</mn>
  </mrow>

```

Presentation MathML (cont.)

`</math>`

Presentation MathML (cont.)

```
<mstyle mathbackground="yellow" mathcolor="navy"
      mathsize="16pt" mathvariant="bold">
  <mrow>
    <mi>x</mi>
    <mo>+</mo>
    <mi>y</mi>
  </mrow>
  <mo>=</mo>
  <mn mathcolor="red">2</mn>
</mstyle>
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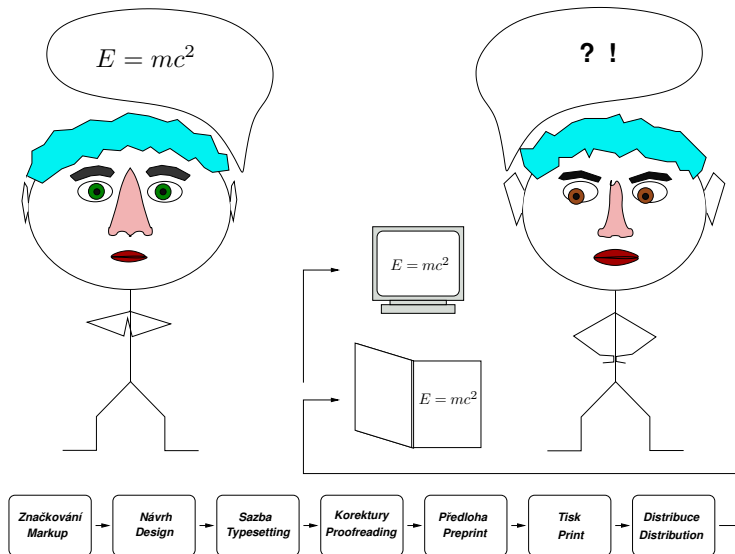

Content MathML

```

<m:math>
  <m:apply>
    <m:eq/>
      <m:apply>
        <m:plus/>
          <m:cn>2</m:cn>
          <m:cn>2</m:cn>
        </m:apply>
      <m:cn>4</m:cn>
    </m:apply>
  </m:math>

```

Math exchange from the author's brain to the readers' one



Math Search



- MathJax
- MathML 3.0, WAI-ARIA (Web Accessibility Initiative—Accessible Rich Internet Applications), WCAG (Web Content Accessibility Guidelines) 2.0.
- direct MathML support in [tagged] PDF by Adobe, but nobody able to take advantage of it but Ross Moore
- ChromeVox
- Wolfram Alpha
- Systems for symbolic computation (Mathematica, Maple,...)
- everywhere, where *software* deals with math

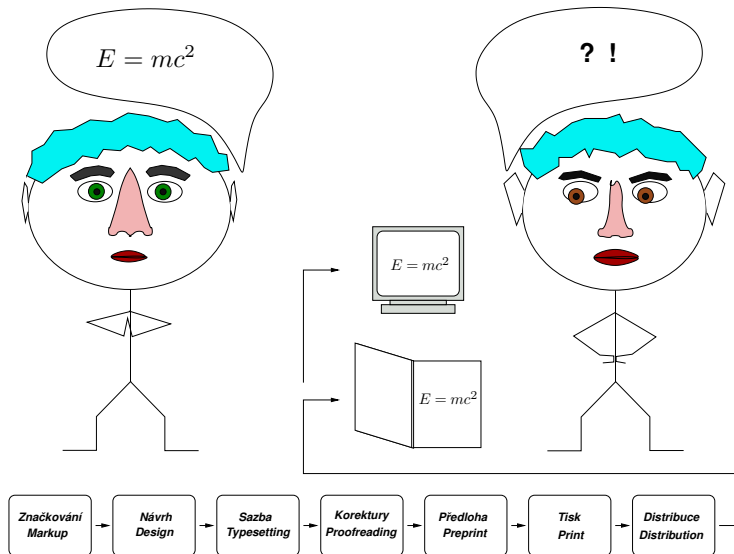
Dual worlds: MathML and L^AT_EX!

Data heterogeneity, plethora of formats, validation and conversions:

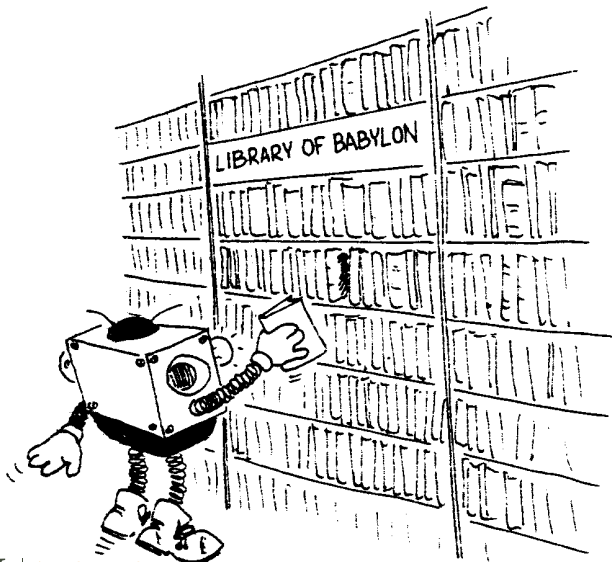
world of authors: L^AT_EX, T_EX notation of mathematics

world of applications/data exchange: XML, *MathML*

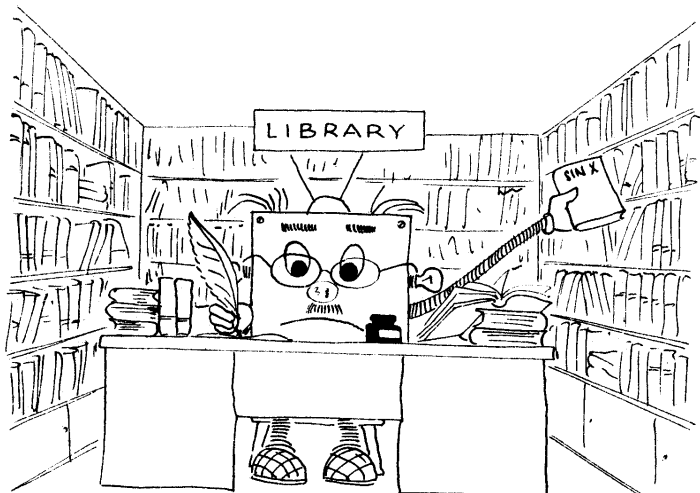
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Most scientific valuable content end up in the *Digital Library*



Math content is not an exception: the dream of the World Digital Mathematical Library



Vision of European Digital Mathematics Library

Finally three year project or *European Digital Mathematics Library, EuDML* (programme EU CIP-ICT-PSP, type Pilot B, EU contribution *(1.6 MEur, 50% of total budget only)* February 2010–January 2013. The strategy of

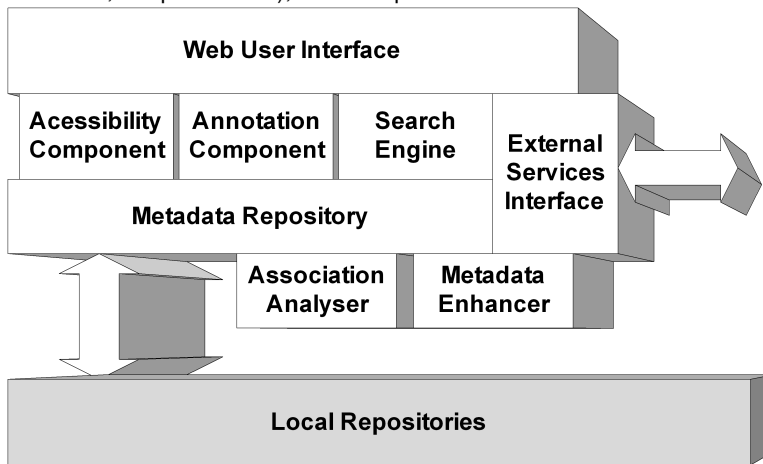
EuDML

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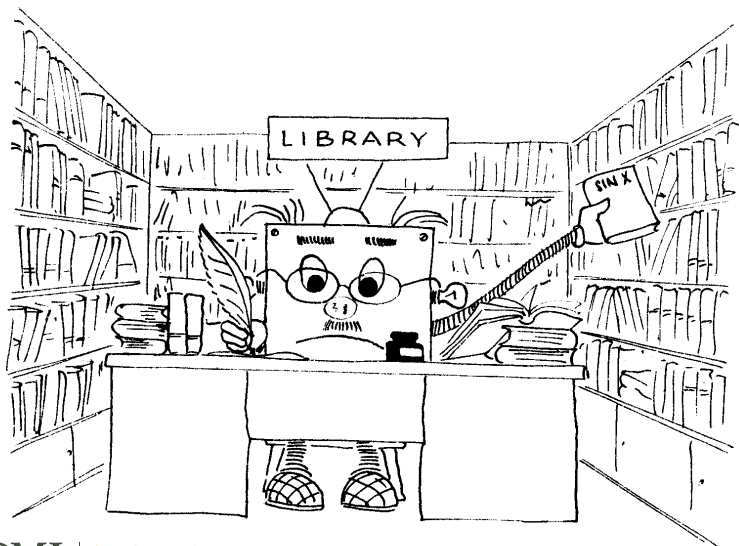
- to master the technology, develop tools and offer them;
- concept of *moving wall* to motivate and engage commercial publishers without Open Access bussiness model;
- to collect data (from existing local or publisher's) *digital libraries* into 'one-stop shop' and achieve critical mass in the domain → 'a must/me too' effect then as with PubMed Central.

EuDML as a virtual library portal

EuDML provides a *virtual* library based on data from smaller data providers (as DML-CZ, <<http://dml.cz>>), DLs and publishers:



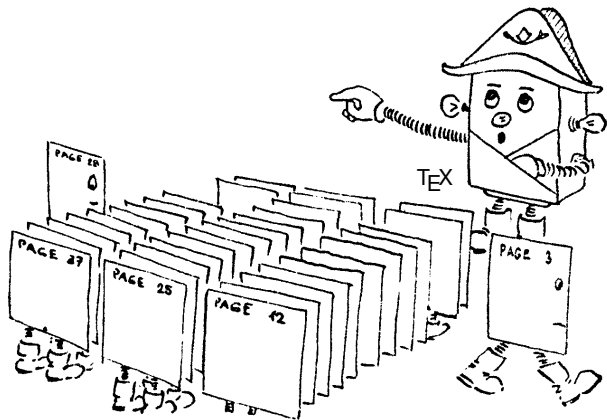
One portal: European Digital Mathematics Library



Digital Library without [Math] Search is an oxymoron



Yes, you can! <<http://eudml.org>>: accessible math, search, visibility, scalability,...



How to query and index math?



Going from author's heads to reader's via Math [formulae]?



Compare `google.com/search?q=Einstein` with math-aware search of `Einstein+$E=mc^2$` over arXiv.

Why math search is more relevant *now* than ever? (cont.)

- Because of G? (G as in Google, Globalization,...).
- The *vast* treasure of mathematical papers; 140,000 new papers in Zentralblatt MATH expected this year. All mathematics ever publisher is estimated at 100,000,000 pages (3,500,000 articles).
- Search – crucial part; search is a *gate* to this knowledge; DML without math-aware search is an oxymoron.
- Text and keyword based search? Even picture search? No problem (Google, review databases); *success*.
- Mathematics formulae (structure) search? It *is* a problem (either in Google or in the review databases); more or less a *failure so far*.

Motivation for MSE (including formulae) – cont.

prof. James Davenport, CEIC member, MKM2011 PC chair, on panel at EuDML workshop in Bertinoro as a reply to the question “what functionality and incentives would made a working mathematician to login and use a modern DML as EuDML?”:

“Math formulae search.”



Why math *search* is more relevant now than ever?

- Allowing formulas in queries helps to *disambiguate and narrow* search. Sometimes the only difference among set of notions/key words would be in a math formula.
- Example 1: knowing the solution of partial differential equation in $L^1(\mathbb{C}^3)$, is there one in $L^2(\mathbb{C}^5)$?
- Example 2: historians may want to follow the history of a (class of) formula(s) across languages and vocabularies (e.g. same objects studied/used by physicists and mathematicians under different names).
- Imagine your favourite ebook math textbook being [T_EX]-search aware—e.g. your search app supports math formulae search.

Existing systems – pros and cons

- **MathDex**: formerly MathFind * seven digit figure NSF grant by Design Science (Robert Miner) * Lucene based, indexing n -grams of presentation MathML * pioneering conversion effort
- **EgoMath and EgoMath2**: based on full text web search system Egothor * presentation MathML for indexing * idea of formulae augmentation, α -equivalence algorithms and relevance calculation
- **L^AT_EX Search**: MSE offered by Springer * closed source * only for L^AT_EX math string approximate match based on strings * no formulae structure matching * small database: 3 million formulae from ‘random’ sources
- **LeActiveMath**: indexing string tokens from OMDoc with OpenMath semantic notation * *only* for documents authored for LeActiveMath learning environment
- **DLMF**: *only* for documents authored for DLMF in special markup * equation search
- **MathWeb Search**: semantic approach – uses substitution trees – not based on full text searching * supports Content MathML and OpenMath * problem with acquiring semantic data

MiaS — Math Indexer and Searcher

- math-aware, full-text based search engine
- joins textual and mathematical querying
- MathML *or* T_EX input

How to write query

Search in: MREC 2011.4.439 ▾ Search

Total hits: 15973, showing 1- 30. Searching time: 584 ms

Andreev bound states in normal and ferromagnet/high-T_cc superconducting tun ...

... close from the [110] surface when the symmetry is $d_{x^2+y^2}$.

score = 1.1615998

arxiv.org/abs/cond-mat/0305446 - cached XHTML

Particle trajectories and acceleration during 3D fan reconnection

... at $\sqrt{(x^2 + y^2)} = 1$ and ...

score = 1.0577431

arxiv.org/abs/0811.1144 - cached XHTML

Pairing symmetry and long range pair potential in a weak coupling theory of ...

... does not mix with usual $s_{x^2+y^2}$ symmetry gap in an anisotropic band structure.

score = 1.0254444

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Dual world of T_EX and MathML

Math for people: T_EX notation wins and is used by people (mostly AMSL^AT_EX fits most needs).

Math for software applications: MathML wins and is used by most computer algebra systems, browsers, in workflow of DTP systems...

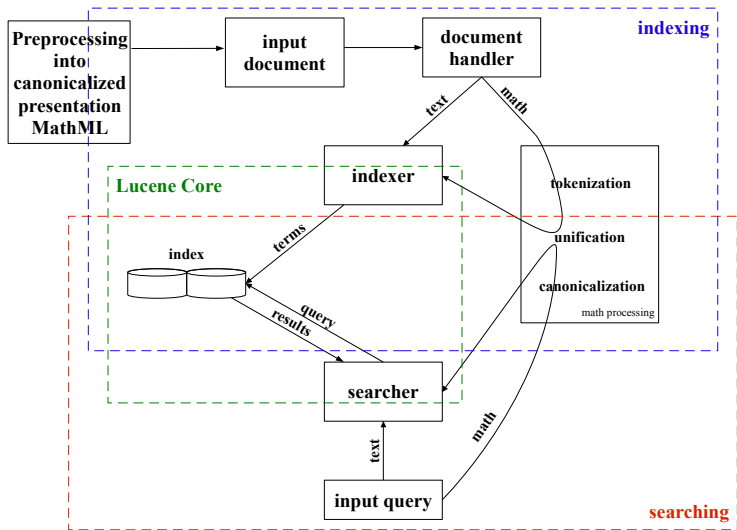
Dual world of query language and indexing language

In text retrieval: Indexing word stems only instead of word forms.

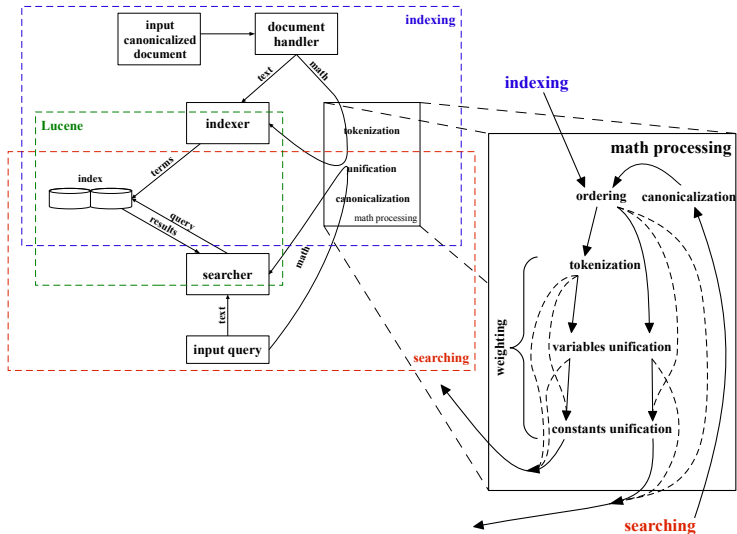
T_EXbook's Concert invitation example: there is a name of Czech composer of a song in the index that even does not appear in the invitation.

From text to math: the same idea explored for math (e.g. having dozen of representations of a formula in the index).

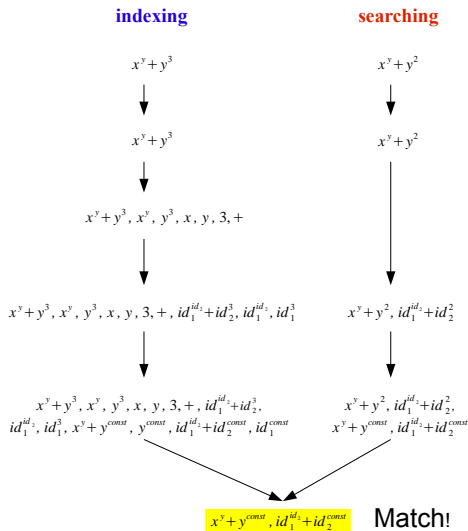
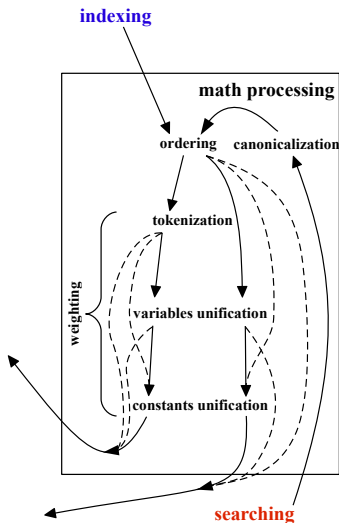
MSE overall design



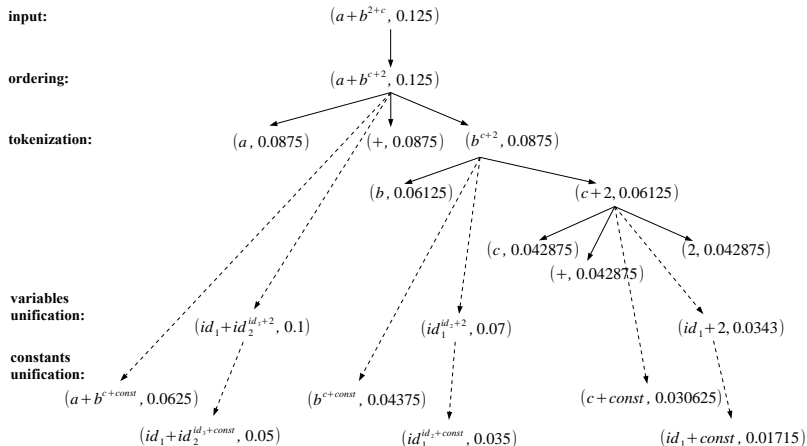
Math indexing design



Example



Formula processing example – subformulae weighting



Implementation

- Java
- Lucene 3.1.0, now switching to Lucene/Solr 4
- Mathematical part implements Lucene's interface `Tokenizer` – able to integrate to any Lucene based system
- MlaS4Solr plugin was created for the use in Solr
- Textual content – processed by `StandardAnalyzer`
- easily deployable in Java/Lucene based system or as a web service

Search demonstration

[Help About](#)


How to write query

```
<math><mrow><msup><mi>x</mi></msup></mrow><math> <math><mn>2</mn></math> </msup><mo>+</mo><msup><mi>y</mi></msup></mrow></math>
```

Canonicalized MathML query:

```
<math xmlns="http://www.w3.org/1998/Math/MathML">
  <mrow>
    <msup> <mi>x</mi></msup>
    <mo>+</mo>
    <msup> <mi>y</mi></msup>
  </mrow>
</math>
```

 Search in:

Total hits: 36817, showing 1- 30. Searching time: 116 ms

Finite Precision Measurement Nullifies Euclid's Postulates

 ... and the unit circle $x^2 + y^2 = 1$ are both dense but they do not intersect, in contradiction to Euclid's postulates ...

score = 3.2980976

arxiv.org/abs/quant-ph/0310035 - cached XHTML

COMMENT ON RECENT TUNNELING MEASUREMENTS ON Bi22Sr22CaCu22O88

 ... gap, (b) s-wave gap, and (c) $s_{x^2+y^2}$ gap.

score = 1.6040040

Formulae search demonstration

EuDML interface: <http://eudml.org/search>

Demo web interface: <http://aura.fi.muni.cz:8085/webmias/>

- Snuggle TeX for on-the-fly as-you-type rendering
- Matched document snippet generation
- MathJax for nicer math rendering and better portability
- Canonicalization of the query – problems with UMCL library [1], now our own canonicalizer

All up and ready on the EuDML system.

Switching between the worlds: conversions

- in EuDML: MathML/T_EX input (Tralics [2] for conversion to MathML [9])
- internal representation in Lucene index
- experiments with LaTeXML (both PML and ambiguous CML output)
- translation from Presentation to Content needed
- the need for normalization

Direct typesetting of MathML in Context

```

\usemodule[mathml]
\starttext
\startXMLdata
<math>
  <mrow>
    <msup> <mi>x</mi><mn>2</mn> </msup>
    <mo>+</mo>
    <mrow>
      <mn>4</mn><mo>InvisibleTimes;</mo><mi>x</mi>
    </mrow>
    <mo>+</mo>
    <mn>4</mn>
  </mrow>
</math>
\stopXMLdata
\stoptext

```


Searching (semantically) similar papers

Exploration of a DML: browsing (semantically) similar papers

Semantic search via topic modeling: Latent Semantic Indexing, Latent Dirichlet Allocation

Methods developed for text, how to incorporate Math?

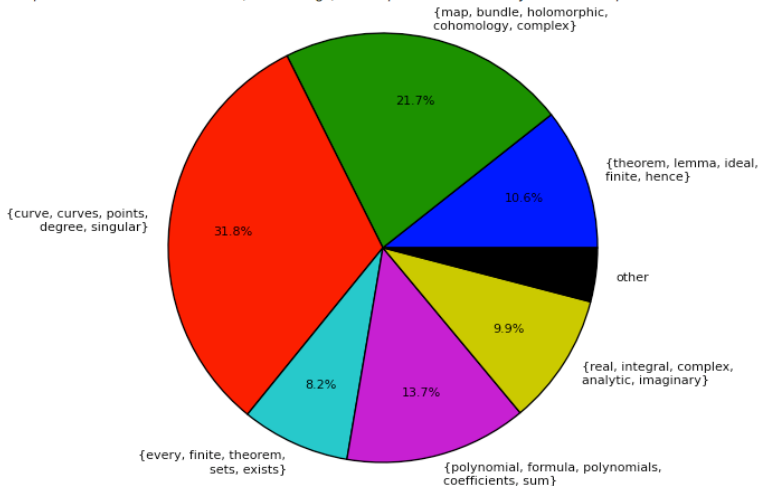
Which formulae are semantically similar (do have same/similar meaning)?

Leading Edge Example: Automated Meaning Picking from Texts

LDA Topics Pie Chart for [math.0406240](#):

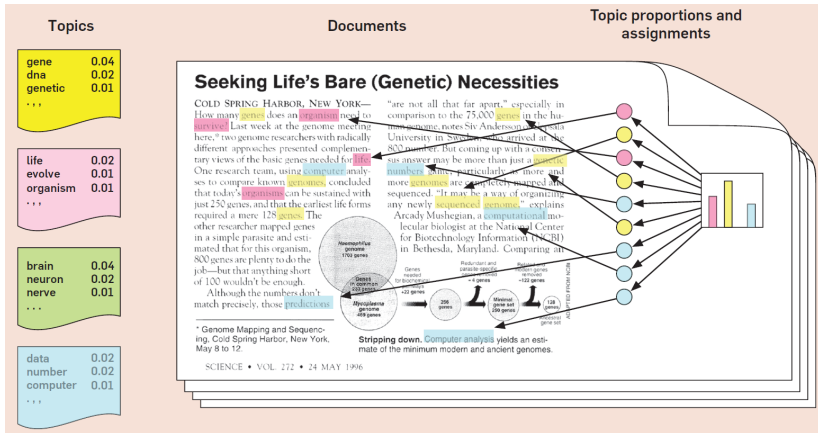
Each slice represents a different topic. The size of the slice corresponds to "how much is the article about this topic?". Topics which contribute <6% to the above document are aggregated under "other".

LDA topics are distributions over words; in the image, each topic is summarized by its five most probable words.



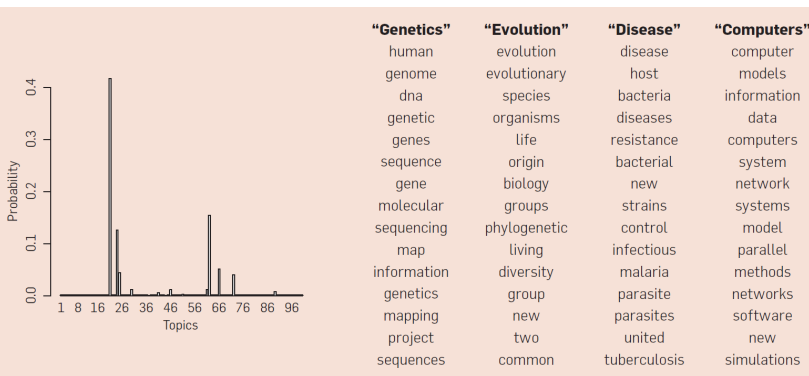
Probabilistic Topical Modeling: Latent Dirichlet Allocation

- topic: weighted list of words
- document: weighted list of topics



Topical Modeling: Latent Dirichlet Allocation II

- all topics computed automatically from document corpora



Content Similarity Results in <http://eudml.org>

We have developed and delivered technology for *similarity* (gensim), document *conversions* (to Braille or to text: Mathml2text) and math content *normalization*. Different formulae representations for similarity computation.

Displaying similar documents to “On oscillation criteria for third order nonlinear delay differential equations”

On the solution of the differential equation $f(x, y, y^{(1)}, \dots, y^{(n)}) = 0$.

Smbat Abian, Arthur B. Brown (1958)
Bollettino dell'Unione Matematica Italiana
Similarity:

Superposition of imbeddings and Fefferman's inequality

Miroslav Krbeč, Thomas Schott (1999)
Bollettino dell'Unione Matematica Italiana
Similarity:

In questo lavoro si studiano condizioni sufficienti sulla funzione peso V , espresse in termini di integrabilità, per la validità della disuguaglianza

Summary

- duality of math representation discussed
- verified complex workflow and proven technologies and tools for DML
- scalable solution for math formulae search researched, implemented, tested and integrated into current version of EuDML system!
- novel scalable Math search in EuDML is up and running, with several novel math-aware approaches developed and *in production use*
- MIR/MlaS project pages – <https://mir.fi.muni.cz/>
- math-aware methods for document similarity (MathML2text, gensim)

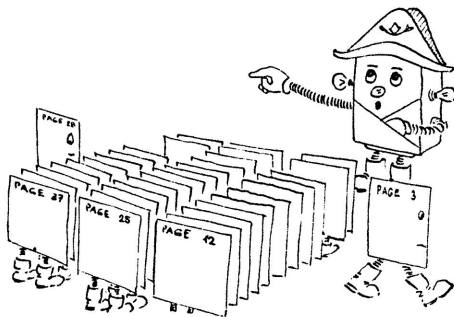
Summary and future work

Accepting duality of MIR interface MlaS will hopefully become *the* MSE used by the community. Our hope is based on these features:

- *text+math IR compatible*, accepting both T_EX and MathML formats (fits mathematician's needs)
- new math formulae similarity (weighting) approach compatible with *both presentation (structure) and content (semantic)* MathML
- *scalable* (index with almost 3 billion subformulae tested)
- *Lucene/Solr compatible* system employed and *used in EuDML will hit the masses ;-)*.

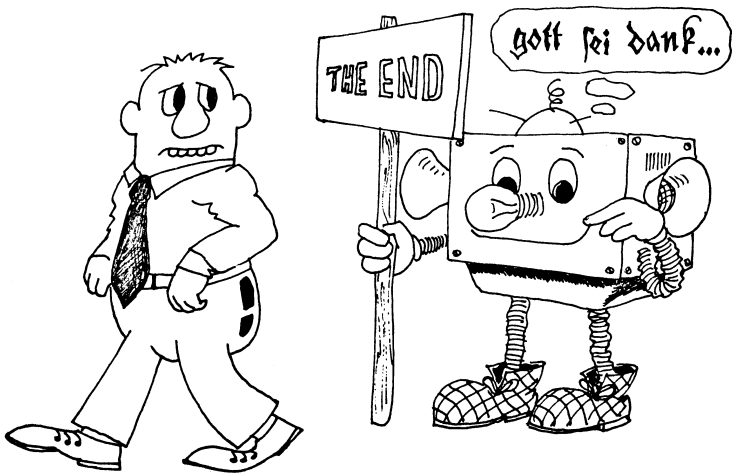
For more information see papers in SpringerLink (MKM 2011, Bertinoro) [5] and ACM DL (DocEng 2011, Mountain View) [8].

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End of talk





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