

MathPSfrag 2.0 Manual

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Abstract

This is the complete manual of MathPSfrag, a package for the creation of L^AT_EX labels for MATHEMATICA plots. The manual is not meant as an introduction but rather as a documentation of all available commands. An overview article may be found in [1]; for a first impression have a look at the presentation in the `MathPSfrag-2.0/latex/beamer-example-eurobachotex-2007/` directory. In case you have taken a look at either already, you might want to skip the introduction.

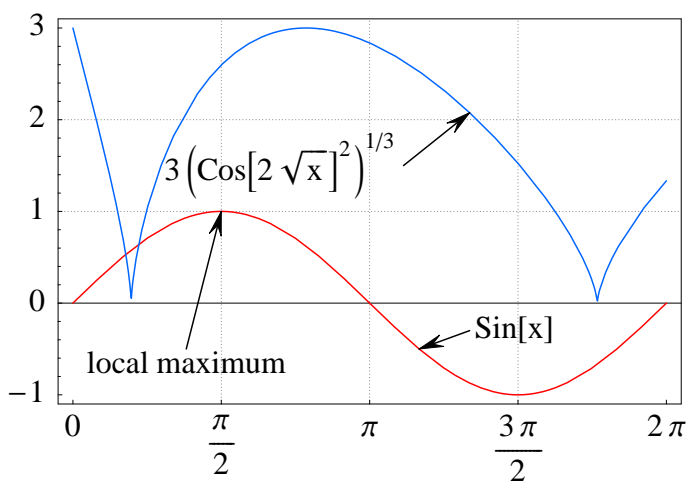


Fig. 1a) MATHEMATICA

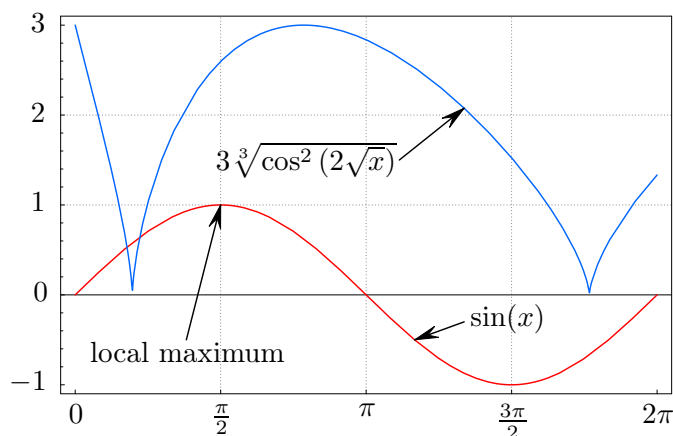


Fig. 1b) MathPSfrag

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1 Introduction

Many programs producing EPS graphics do not allow the inclusion of \LaTeX commands. While there exist several solutions to work around these difficulties, they all have various drawbacks. (See [2] for a discussion of several methods and an alternative approach to overcome these difficulties.) In this article, we will focus on a particular existing solution, the `PSfrag` package [3], which provides \LaTeX macros allowing to replace pieces of text (“tags”) in an EPS file by an arbitrary \LaTeX construct.

However, for `PSfrag` to work, the application must write tags unaltered into the EPS file. For `MATHEMATICA` [4, 5], this requirement amounts to using single words, strictly consisting of alphanumeric characters only. As a consequence, the user has to work most of the time with an inconveniently labeled graphic and is furthermore required to keep track of the tags used in the substitution macros.

On the other hand, it is not always possible to use `MATHEMATICA`’s conventional export function as it produces EPS files requiring the inclusion of additional fonts into the document. This means configuring the local \TeX installation such that it finds the fonts provided by Wolfram Inc. [6, 7, 8], a process often not being under the author’s control. A way out is to include the fonts into the EPS file and set the font family to a standard `POSTSCRIPT` one.

```
Plot[... , TextStyle→{FontFamily→"Times"}]  
Export[... , ConversionOptions→{"IncludeSpecialFonts"→True}]
```

However, automatic inclusion of `MATHEMATICA`’s special fonts, which irrespective of the chosen `FontFamily` are used for displaying important symbols like brackets, is only a last resort. While the slight mismatch between a standard `POSTSCRIPT` font’s appearance, (here Times Roman, cf. fig. 1a), and that of \LaTeX ’s standard font (Computer Modern) may be acceptable in case of ordinary text labels, mathematical expressions like square roots or fractions cannot compete with \LaTeX ’s typesetting quality in this approach.

Font inclusion is also a feature that—like the visually displeasing option to not use special fonts at all—has become available only starting from `MATHEMATICA` version 4.2.1. Consequently, some authors simply restrict labeling of `MATHEMATICA` plots to a bare minimum.

`MathPSfrag` [9] is a package that conveniently produces publication-quality labels in EPS files generated by `MATHEMATICA`. `MathPSfrag` automates many (often all) tedious details related to the use of the standard \LaTeX package `PSfrag`, while still allowing manual fine tuning. As a demonstration of the degree of automation, compare fig. 1a, which has been generated by using the standard `MATHEMATICA` command `Export`, and fig. 1b, generated by `MathPSfrag`’s export instruction.

While the solution presented here, relies on the `PSfrag` package, it avoids many of its shortcomings by providing a semi-automatic layer. In many cases it is sufficient to simply use the new `PSfragExport` command.

`MathPSfrag` also allows the creation of stand-alone images that do not need any additional preparations in the manuscript. This is achieved by calling \LaTeX and `Ghostscript` from within `MATHEMATICA` requiring the user to have a full \LaTeX distribution on the same machine where `MATHEMATICA` resides.

2 Naming conventions/Typography

Throughout this document, file names are denoted Unix-style (`path/to/files`) unless they are system-specific. The corresponding Windows path would be `path\to\files`. Similarly, “folders” are called directories. The basis directory of the `MathPSfrag` package is called `MathPSfrag-2.0/`, but the user may rename it as she pleases.

The basis directory of the `TEX` installation will generically be called `{TEXMF}/`. The real location might be for example. `/usr/share/texmf/`, `/usr/local/texmf/` or `C:\D:\localtexmf\texmf\`.

Command line quoting is performed with single quotes `'` where appropriate in the Unix-context. For Windows these should always be double quotes `"`.

Line breaks that are not to be entered (but are rather a consequence of limited space in the manuscript), are marked with `\` at the beginning of the next line. (As the reader might have observed in one of the paragraphs above.) Should a hyphen `-` happen to be the last character of the line, it nevertheless should be entered verbatim, when a `\` sign is encountered.

Mandatory arguments are denoted `<musthave>`, optional arguments `[maybe]`.

3 Setup

3.1 Requirements

Strictly required

- `MATHEMATICA` 4.0 or later
- `LATEX`, `dvips`, `Ghostscript`
- `PSfrag` `LATEX` package [3]

Recommended

- `MATHEMATICA` 5.1 or later
- `CustomTicks` [10]
- `pst-pdf` `LATEX` package [11]
- `pdftricks` `LATEX` package [12]
- `BEAMER` `LATEX` class [13]
- `pdfcrop` [14] (which requires Perl)

Note that the `ps4pdf` package is deprecated by `pst-pdf`. Both provide a shell script of the name `ps4pdf`, which may conflict.

3.2 Installation

1. Check the requirements!
2. Unzip the `MathPSfrag` package
3. Read the `README.TEXT` file

4. Download CustomTicks [10] (strongly recommended) and put CustomTicks.m into the main directory of MathPSfrag.
(Presumably this directory is named MathPSfrag-2.0.)
5. Try to translate is-psfrag-installed.tex with L^AT_EX. If it does not work, install the psfrag L^AT_EX package.
6. Is MATHEMATICA version 5.0 or earlier installed?
Install
 - MathPSfrag-2.0/latex/mma4tex/mma4tex.tex and
 - MathPSfrag-2.0/latex/mma4tex/mma4tex.sty
 into subdirectory {TEXMF}/tex/latex/tex4mma of your T_EX distribution. Need more details? Read section 9.
7. Load “MathPSfrag-Test.nb” and execute line by line. Errors if any probably occur after the MathPSfragConfigurationTest[] line. Make sure that L^AT_EX, dvips and Ghostscript are in the system’s execution path – that’s the clean solution – or find the exact location of the executables and provide them via the UnPSfrag options marked by (* EDIT THIS *) in the test notebook. Need more details? Read section 5.4.

Congratulations.

3.3 Testing

The L^AT_EX examples are set up in such a way that they translate even without the user having to generate her own set of graphics. However for testing, it is useful to *ensure* that only the user generated content is included, which requires some editing.

1. Check xmpl-psfrag-orig.pdf to get an impression of what we want to create.
2. Edit MathPSfrag-2.0/latex/common/inc-preamble.tex: Comment the line

```
\graphicspath{{../myfigs/}{../origfigs/}}
```

and uncomment the line

```
\graphicspath{{../myfigs/}}
```

This will ensure that only the *user’s* graphics are loaded and not the ones delivered with MathPSfrag. If you have changed the default location of where the graphics are exported to, you have to change above line accordingly.

3. L^AT_EX the example in MathPSfrag-2.0/latex/xmpl-psfrag/. Hint: You might execute Makefile.sh (Linux or Mac) or Makefile.bat (for Windows).
4. Have a look at the output and compare with xmpl-psfrag-orig.pdf. Does it look good? Minor differences might be due to different MATHEMATICA versions. Consider to bug report in case of errors, but have a look at section 12 before.

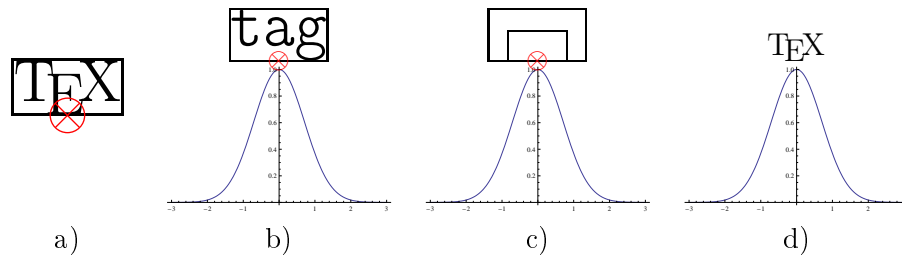


Figure 2: Action of `\psfrag{tag}[bc][bc]{\TeX}`. The first coordinate pair `[bc]` picks the reference point (red crossed circle) in the `\TeX` expression (fig. a), the second one in the `tag` that is part of the original EPS file (fig. b). Positioning is achieved by overlaying both boxes such that both reference points coincide (fig. c). The final result is shown in fig. d. Scales are exaggerated for better illustration.

3.4 Why configuration is needed

`MathPSfrag` is divided into two layers: A part that produces `\psfrag` commands and correspondingly tagged EPS files, and a part that merges these two files by feeding them into `LATEX`. For the latter part, `MathPSfrag` needs to know the exact location of the `LATEX`, `dvips` and `Ghostscript` executables. Under Unix-like systems or if you have a properly configured system path under Windows (unlikely), chances are that you do not have to configure `MathPSfrag` at all. If for some reason there, there is no `LATEX` distribution on your `MATHEMATICA` system, you may want to use the `unpsfrag bash-shellscrip` instead of the `UnPSfrag` command. It might also work in a Cygwin [15] environment, but hasn't been tested yet.

4 PSfrag L^AT_EX package

This is intended to be a short introduction to the `LATEX` package `PSfrag` explaining only the essential features necessary to understand the corresponding `MATHEMATICA` package's internals and to take advantage of its manual options if automatic placement does not yield the desired result. The full documentation can be found in [3].

`PSfrag` provides the macro

```
\psfrag{<tag>}[<texposition>][<psposition>][<scale>][<rot>]{<LATEX>}
```

which replaces any occurrence of `<tag>` in the output of an EPS file by `<LATEX>`. This process has been illustrated in fig. 2. According to [3], “all `\psfrag` calls that precede an `\includegraphics` (or equivalent) in the same or surrounding environments” will affect the output of the included graphics; i.e., `\psfrag` commands can be defined either locally, to act on strictly one graphic, or globally, thus acting on all graphics in a document.

`[texposition]` and `[psposition]` are optional arguments that allow to set (first) the vertical (top, bottom, Baseline, or center) and (second) the horizontal (left, right, center) alignment of the replacement text by specifying the respective first character of the choices given in parentheses. The arguments refer to the position of the reference point in the respective bounding boxes. The `LATEX` construct is placed such that its reference point is at the position of the corresponding `POSTSCRIPT` (`tag`) box' reference point, cf. fig. 3 and 2.

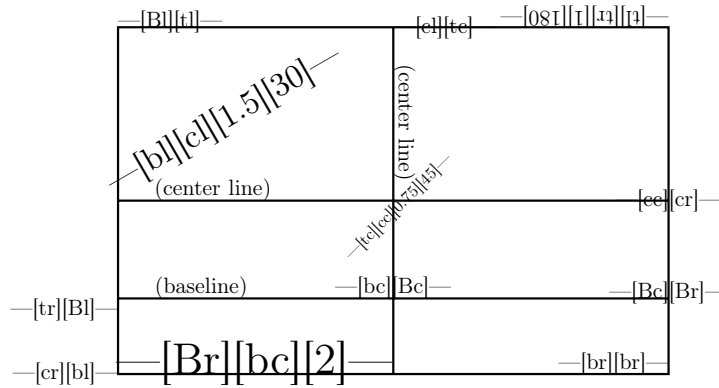


Figure 3: Illustration of the various optional arguments of the `\psfrag` command, taken from [3] with minor changes. The first option determines the alignment of the \LaTeX description, while the second one is responsible for the point to which the \LaTeX macro is attached.

`[scale]` and `[rot]` permit scaling and rotation of the inserted box, where the rotation (in degree) is relative to the slope of the POSTSCRIPT bounding box such that a value of “0” preserves the orientation, see fig. 6. Scaling is best achieved by using \LaTeX scaling commands, like `\Large`, instead of the `[scale]` option, since the standard \LaTeX fonts consists of bitmaps rendered specifically for the chosen size and do not rescale well.

Since `PSfrag` exchanges the labels of an EPS image, these may protrude from the bounding box of the resulting image. Fortunately, `\includegraphics` offers the options `bb` and `trim`, which may be used to override or correct the obsoleted information in the EPS file. In particular, in conjunction with some of the PDF production techniques described in the section 6, correct(ed) bounding boxes can be important because protruding material might be clipped.

5 MathPSfrag interface commands

There are only three commands needed to control `MathPSfrag`’s EPS generation: `PSfrag`, `PSfragExport`, which supersedes `MATHEMATICA`’s `Export` command, and `UnPSfrag`, which allows overriding of the defaults for particular expressions. In addition the `UnPSfrag` command is provided which calls \LaTeX and `Ghostscript` to carry out the `PSfrag` replacements and create an (ordinary) EPS and PDF image that can be included with the usual `\includegraphics` command.

5.1 PSfragExport

`PSfragExport``[``\langle`*basename*`\rangle``,``\langle`*graphics*`\rangle``,``[`*options*`]` converts `\langle`*graphics*`\rangle`, the usual `PSfragExport` `Graphics` construct returned by `MATHEMATICA` commands like `Plot`, to an EPS file and a \LaTeX file containing `\psfrag` macros. `PSfragExport` returns the `\langle`*basename*`\rangle` and the names of the generated files in a list, suitable for processing by `UnPSfrag`; i.e. `UnPSfrag[PSfragExport[...]]`.

The `UnPSfrag` command, if provided, will merge these two into a single EPS file and will also produce a PDF version. More about this in section 5.3.

`[options]` can be any combination of the following options, listed with their parenthetic defaults.

- `TeXSuffix`→"*string*" ("psfrag.tex")
- `EpsSuffix`→"*string*" ("psfrag.eps")
- `RenumberTags`→*boolean* (False)
- `Format...`→*psfrag* (PSfrag[#]&)

Any other options will be passed on to `Export` or applied to the graphics using a `Show` command, respectively.

The respective file names of the L^AT_EX and EPS file are determined by *basename* to which the value of the options `TeXSuffix` and `EpsSuffix` is appended. Unless a base name containing a path is given, the output is written to the current directory, which can be set using MATHEMATICA's `SetDirectory`.

The option `RenumberTags`→`True` will renumber all tags and represent the number as one of 52 (small and capital) Latin characters or a combination of letters when the number is larger than 52. This feature, which generates very short tags, sometimes required to achieve a more precise positioning.

For completeness' sake, it shall be mentioned that there is a number of `Format...` options, which determine how the automatic processing of text generating graphics options is handled. The default is pretending the user having applied `PSfrag` without any additional options to the text content of the respective option. For example the `Plot` option `PlotLabel`→"foo" would be turned into `PlotLabel`→`PSfrag["foo"]` due to the `FormatPlotLabel` option having the value `PSfrag[#]&`.

The `Format...` options provide a method for changing the default treatment of particular `Plot` options. Suppose one would want to display a different number of significant digits on the *x*- and *y*-axis. This could be achieved by using

```
FormatTicksX→(PSfrag[#,TeXCommand→MyDigitsX[#]]&)
FormatTicksY→(PSfrag[#,TeXCommand→MyDigitsY[#]]&)
```

with `MyDigitsX/Y` suitable, user-defined functions that accept a number as argument and return a string containing a well formatted number. However, the recommended method of customizing axes labels is using the `CustomTicks` package [10]. A minimal example is given in section 11.2.

5.2 PSfrag

PSfrag

Usually one will not use the `Format...` options for the purpose of manually controlling the output, but wrap the

```
PSfrag[expr], [options]
```

command directly around any MATHEMATICA expression *expr* appearing as text in a graphic, such as the argument of a `PlotLabel`→... or `AxisLabel`→... option or a `Text` graphics directive; e.g.,

```
p=Plot[... ,PlotLabel→PSfrag["χ^2-test",...]];
PSfragExport["chisquare", p];
```

`PSfrag` processes the following options, whose defaults have been put in parentheses.

- `TeXCommand` → " $\langle string \rangle$ " (Automatic)
- `PSfragTag` → " $\langle string \rangle$ " (Automatic)
- `TeXPosition` → " $\langle yx \rangle$ " (Automatic)
- `PSPosition` → " $\langle yx \rangle$ " (CopyTeXPosition)
- `PSRotation` → $\langle number \rangle$ (0)
- `PSScaling` → $\langle number \rangle$ (1)

Actually, `PSfragExport`'s automatic mechanism simply wraps `PSfrag` around all `Text` primitives using the default values above. However, manual wrapping has the advantage of allowing different options to be applied to expressions where the automatic behavior did not give satisfactory results.

`TeXCommand` → " $\langle string \rangle$ " uses $\langle string \rangle$ as the \LaTeX command to appear in the final EPS graphic as a replacement of the corresponding expression $\langle expr \rangle$. If set to `Automatic`, the internal function `GuessTeX` is called, which is basically a wrapper around `TeXForm` that adds \$ signs around math expressions.¹

The content of `PSfragTag` is a unique alphanumeric tag that is used as a placeholder in the graphics. In most cases the user will not want to change the `Automatic` default, which corresponds to generating a valid tag from a string representation of $\langle expr \rangle$.

The remaining options are in one-to-one correspondence with those of `\psfrag` explained in section 4, see there; i.e., they determine the alignment of the generated \LaTeX labels. The default behavior of `TeXPosition` is to extract the alignment of the surrounding `Text` command. (If there is none, it waits till the `Text` command is produced during export.) The default value `CopyTeXPosition` of `PSPosition` does exactly what it says; i.e., taking over the value of the `TeXPosition` option. The values of `PSRotation` and `PSScaling` are relative to the `MATHEMATICA` expressions, that is the default values will preserve both orientation and size.

`MathPSfrag` uses the `FullGraphics` command to determine the alignment values for `TeXPosition` and `PSPosition`. Unfortunately `FullGraphics` does not work for three-dimensional graphics, such that `PSfragExport` falls back to `PSfragManualExport`, which does not perform any alignment detection and can also be used for two-dimensional graphics if automatic processing is not desired. In these cases `PSfrag` has to be applied by hand to the argument of any `Text` directive and text producing option like `PlotLabel`. Moreover at least the values of `TeXPosition` will have to be given by the user.

5.3 UnPSfrag

With the commands described so far, standard `PSfrag` EPS pictures can be produced. `MathPSfrag` provides two additional features that require a full \LaTeX run from within `MATHEMATICA`. First, creation of pre-rendered EPS images, which do not require the `PSfrag` package anymore. Such pre-rendered images will be called "unpsfraged" henceforth. Second, conversion to PDF images suitable for `pdf\LaTeX` or raster images providing a preview of the final plot. For both features, `MathPSfrag` needs to know where to find

¹To be more precise, `GuessTeX` has two options that allow the user to override or modify the code generated by `TeXForm`. These options take care of adding the required \$ signs and also take into account part of the version dependence of `TeXForm`, cf. section 10

the executables for \LaTeX , `dvips` and `Ghostscript`. Unless the binaries are in the system's execution path (as will be the case for Unix-like operating systems), this requires the user to set the location of the files explicitly. The notebook containing the code of all example plots shown in this manual also contains a comprehensive step-by-step guide of how to set up these paths permanently.

UnPSfrag

The syntax of `UnPSfrag` is

```
UnPSfrag[{\langle basename \rangle}, \langle epsfile \rangle, \langle texfile \rangle}, [options];
```

where $\langle \text{basename} \rangle$ is used to create the names of output files by appending suitable suffices like `“.pdf”` or `“.eps”`. The other two mandatory parameters should point to the tagged EPS and `PSfrag- \LaTeX` files that are to be merged. `PSfragExport` returns the three file names in exactly this format such that its output can be directly fed to `UnPSfrag`.

`UnPSfrag` has a number of additional options that control how images are created. Again only the most important ones shall be given here, while a complete list is given in the manual.

By default, `UnPSfrag` only produces an EPS and a PDF file, though it should be possible to generate other output formats by setting the `UnPSfragOutputFormats` option accordingly.

Furthermore `UnPSfrag` shows a low resolution bitmap preview of the final images. While this is extremely useful for checking if `MathPSfrag` has produced the desired results, it will enlarge the notebook considerably, which can be inconvenient for email exchange. Setting the `PreviewDevice` option to `None` will switch off this behavior.

When using the `PSfrag` option `TeXCommand` to specify \LaTeX code, it might require additional style files. These can be included by `UnPSfrag` when providing the appropriate `\usepackage` command as a string via the `TeXPreamble` option.

`IncludeGraphicsOptions` is the most important option. The string it provides is handed over to the `\includegraphics` command in the \LaTeX file used to perform the `\psfrag` replacements. The option can therefore be used to set the size of the rendered graphics; e.g., by setting its value to `"width=7cm"`. Note however that the final bounding box will correctly fit the image *content* instead of exactly matching the specified *size*. This mismatch is due to the bounding box changing during `PSfrag`'s replacement procedure. When an exact size is required, it can be reapplied in the manuscript, though it is better to adjust the size from within `MATHEMATICA`, the reason for which is explained in the next section.

5.4 Configuration

When no pre-rendered images are desired, configuration is not required. In order to use `UnPSfrag` however `MathPSfrag` needs to know where to find the executables for \LaTeX , `dvips` and `Ghostscript`. The respective paths may be set by invoking

```
SetOptions[UnPSfrag,
  LaTeXExecutable→"⟨string⟩",
  DvipsExecutable→"⟨string⟩",
  GhostscriptExecutable→"⟨string⟩"
];
```

where the default values are "latex", "dvips", and "gs" or "gswin32c", the last depending on whether the system is Windows based. These values are chosen to make MathPSfrag run “out of the box” provided that the binaries are in the system’s search path. This will most likely be the case on Unix-like systems; whereas Windows users might either have to adjust their path environment variable or use absolute file names in the above options.²

Additionally `MathPSfragConfigurationTest[]` can be invoked to check if MathPSfrag is able to find all components. Step-by-step instructions that guide the user through the configuration are provided in the notebook `MathPSfrag-Test.nb`, which also generates all of the examples in section 11.

MathPSfrag evaluates the variable `$PostMathPSfrag` after being loaded, which allows setting up a private `init.m` file³ that contains the configuration settings. It can also be used to make MATHEMATICA find MathPSfrag without explicit path; e.g.,

```
AppendTo[$Path, "C:\\my_path_to\\MathPSfrag"];
$PostMathPSfrag := SetOptions[UnPSfrag,...];
```

5.5 In the manuscript

`UnPSfrag`’ed images do not require any additional treatment or package beyond `graphics` or `graphicx`. Since EPS and PDF versions are created anyway, it is recommended to not provide any suffix for the file name in the `\includegraphics` command, such that the manuscript translates with both \LaTeX and pdf\LaTeX . It is possible to issue the common size options, but this will also change the labels, such that they will not have the fixed \TeX sizes anymore. This can potentially reduce the fonts quality, in particular when \TeX ’s standard computer modern fonts are used, which are composed of bitmaps optimized for a particular resolution. The `UnPSfrag` option `DvipsOptions` is by default set to `"-Ppdf"`, which makes `dvips` replace bitmap fonts by outline fonts on most systems, thus reducing the problem to a mere mismatch between the label’s size and that of the manuscript’s text. In any case it is advisable to adjust the size from within MATHEMATICA before rendering by applying `IncludeGraphicsOptions` to `UnPSfrag`.

It is also possible to follow a “pure” PSfrag approach, where all replacements are performed on the level of the manuscript. This is discussed in section 4. Before, a number of usage examples shall be given.

6 pdf \LaTeX

For publication of \LaTeX documents, the author often not only has to provide the final manuscript but also the sources to produce them subject to constraints set by the publisher.

Therefore, MathPSfrag essentially offers two levels of image production, a rather sophisticated “`UnPSfrag`” approach, which aims at producing pre-rendered stand-alone images as has been described above, and a classical, PSfrag centric approach. In this approach, MathPSfrag is used to produce a tagged EPS file plus a PSfrag translation file, which can convert the tags back into readable labels during the \LaTeX run of the

²The backslash is an escape symbol and has to be doubled; e.g., `"C:\\Programs\\GS\\gswin32c.exe"`.

³This is a file that is automatically loaded upon start-up; see MATHEMATICA’s Help Browser.

manuscript. These two files are generated by `PSfragExport`. (Further use of `UnPSfrag` would join this pair into stand-alone graphics.)

The decision which approach to use has an impact on both the process of image creation and on how to include the images and compile the manuscript. In particular, the `PSfrag` centric approach is less convenient and not as compatible as the `UnPSfrag` approach, since it relies on POSTSCRIPT. However it has the advantage of producing considerably smaller images of potentially better typesetting quality as the used fonts are guaranteed to match the document's. Furthermore, the label's font size is fixed in this approach, which is of particular importance for the bitmapped Computer Modern, though modern \TeX distributions have outline fonts available which scale more gracefully. Still visual consistency might suffer from differently scaled labels.

The following sections describe how to include `PSfrag` images into a manuscript and some ways for circumventing the POSTSCRIPT-only restriction of the standard `PSfrag` use. `MathPSfrag` is accompanied by a set of example files each of which illustrates one of the strategies outlined below.

6.1 Standard `PSfrag` (“POSTSCRIPT only”)

The standard `PSfrag` way is to include the EPS and `PSfrag` file in a manner similar to the following code.

```
\begin{psfrags}
  \input{example-psfrag.tex}
  \includegraphics{example-psfrag.eps}
\end{psfrags}
```

The `{psfrags}` starts an empty group provided by `PSfrag`, whose sole purpose is making `\psfrag` definitions local to the following graphic.

The produced DVI file is then required to be converted to POSTSCRIPT using `dvips`; and PDF can only be created by distilling from the POSTSCRIPT version using for example Acrobat or Ghostscript (`ps2pdf`).

The disadvantage of the pure POSTSCRIPT approach is that the advanced typesetting features of pdf \LaTeX are not available.

This restriction may be overcome by the either use of the `ps4pdf`, `pst-pdf` or `pdftricks` package.⁴

6.2 `pst-pdf`

`ps4pdf` is deprecated by `pst-pdf`, which follows the same strategy of using \LaTeX to produce a collective PDF container for images. `pst-pdf` is a bit more convenient as it does not require (or allow) to mark POSTSCRIPT related code. A drawback of this feature is that the above mentioned quick fix for a discrepancy between the two outputs of a combined \LaTeX /pdf \LaTeX version cannot be applied anymore since any invisible frame boxes would not be included in the PDF container file.

That means that the use of `pst-pdf` will restrict the manuscript to translations with pdf \LaTeX at least in the sense that it is not possible to write a manuscript that will simultaneously have perfect bounding boxes when translated with \LaTeX . A major advantage of `pst-pdf` is that it provides the additional package option `notightpage` to support use

⁴I would like to thank Ross Moore for bringing these packages to my attention.

of `pdfcrop` by providing extra space around the images without requiring the use of individual `trim` options.

6.3 pst-pdf

`pst-pdf` extracts all images of a manuscript in an additional \LaTeX run with the help of the `preview` package. These can then be turned into a `POSTSCRIPT` file and distilled to a PDF that is called *image container*. During the `pdf\LaTeX` run, PDF replacements for `POSTSCRIPT` parts are read from the image container. Whenever content or order of the images are changed in the manuscript, the image container must be regenerated.

The required steps are automated in a script accompanying `pst-pdf`. Unfortunately, the predecessor package `ps4pdf`, which is still installed on many systems, has a similar script sharing the same name, `ps4pdf`. It is important to ensure that the correct version of the `ps4pdf` is used that refers to `pst-pdf`.

There is one additional catch due to the way `\psfrag` invalidates bounding boxes: `pst-pdf` must be loaded with the `notightpage` option and the `ps4pdf` script must be called with the `-crop` option.

Assuming `manuscript.tex` to be the main document, either of the following instructions produces the image container:

```
ps4pdf --crop manuscript.tex
or
latex manuscript.tex
dvips -Ppdf -o manuscript-crop.ps manuscript
ps2pdf -dAutoRotatePages=/None manuscript-crop.ps manuscript-crop.pdf
pdfcrop manuscript-crop.pdf manuscript-pics.pdf
```

Of course, a distiller different from `ps2pdf` may be used. Subsequently, the manuscript can be processed by `pdf\LaTeX` in the usual manner, which will be use the pre-generated pictures stored in the `-pics.pdf` file.

The main advantage of this variant is that all images are collected in one single file, which can be very convenient for distribution, since it is much smaller than individual PDF versions of each image. This observation suggests that the collective image file is free of double copies of resources like fonts.

It is possible to arrange the preamble in an agnostic way, such that translation is possible with \LaTeX and `pdf\LaTeX`. This requires the image container to be created with `latex '\AtBeginDocument{\RequirePackage{pst-pdf}} \input{manuscript.tex}'`. Then it possible to simply not load `pst-pdf` during an ordinary \LaTeX run, but only for `pdf\LaTeX`. One should still ensure that `pst-pdf` receives the `notightpage` option. Note that the `ps4pdf` script already uses this line, so `ps4pdf -crop manuscript.tex` will work as expected. The preamble should read:

```
\PassOptionsToPackage{notightpage}{pst-pdf}
\usepackage{ifpdf}
\ifpdf\usepackage{pst-pdf}\else\fi
```

6.4 ps4pdf

It is recommended to use the package `pst-pdf` instead.

The predecessor of `pst-pdf` is `ps4pdf`, which requires all POSTSCRIPT related material (including material in the preamble) to be wrapped in `\PSforPDF` instructions similarly to

```
\PSforPDF{%
\begin{psfrags}
  \input{example-psfrag.tex}
  \includegraphics%
    [width=8cm,trim=...]%
    {example-psfrag.eps}
\end{psfrags}
}% end of PSforPDF
```

and to include a `\usepackageps4pdf` into the preamble. The `trim` option will be discussed later.

Assuming the main document is `manuscript.tex` the following sequence of instructions produces a PDF file containing all images (and only these) in PDF format.

```
latex manuscript.tex
dvips -Ppdf -o manuscript-pics.ps manuscript
ps2pdf manuscript-pics.ps manuscript-pics.pdf
```

Of course, a distiller different from `ps2pdf` may be used. Subsequently, the manuscript can be processed by `pdfLATEX` in the usual manner without a need to recreate the picture container. `pdfLATEX` will use the pre-generated pictures stored in the `-pics.pdf` file provided it has (up to the suffix) the same name as the main document. A change of the order or of the content of the POSTSCRIPT material in the manuscript requires repeating above steps.

There is however the important catch, that material lying outside the bounding box of the POSTSCRIPT graphics will be clipped. Since `PSfrag` effectively changes the graphical material in the EPS files, the bounding box will always be at least slightly, sometimes dramatically, incorrect and has to be manually corrected; e.g., by using the `trim` option of `\includegraphics` to provide some extra margin.

`ps4pdf` even allows to arrange the manuscript in such a way that naive translation with `LATEX` or `pdfLATEX` will produce the expected result, namely creation of a DVI or PDF file, while the image container can be created by giving an additional switch:

```
latex '\let\picsonly\relax\input{manuscript}'
```

This can be achieved by including in the preamble

```
\usepackage{ifpdf}
\ifx\picsonly\relax\usepackage{ps4pdf}\else%
  \ifpdf\usepackage{ps4pdf}\else%
  \usepackage[inactive]{ps4pdf}\fi\fi
```

```

\newcommand{\PSfraginclude}[2] [] {
  \mbox{\PSforPDF{\whitebox{%
    \begin{psfrags}%
    \input{#2}%
    \includegraphics[#1]{#2}%
    \end{psfrags}%
  }}}%
}
...
\PSfraginclude[width=5cm]{example-psfrag}

```

Figure 4: A customized `\includegraphics` for `ps4pdf`.

As an aside, the author observed a slight mismatch between the bounding boxes in the `LATEX` and `pdfLATEX` versions when following the “additional switch” strategy outlined above. Strange enough when investigating this phenomenon by surrounding the `\includegraphics` command by a frame box, this mismatch did not show up anymore. This suggests a possible workaround by surrounding the material with a white—i.e. invisible—frame box. For convenience the user might want to have a macro taking care of such complications, cf. fig. 4

The main advantage of this variant is that all images are collected in one single file, which can be very convenient for distribution, since it is much smaller than individual PDF versions of each image. This observation suggests that the collective image file is free of double copies of resources like fonts.

A disadvantage is the manual fine-tuning required to produce correct bounding boxes. When one is only interested in using `pdfLATEX` the situation can be alleviated to some extent by setting the bounding box way too large using the `trim` option of `\includegraphics` such that no material is clipped. A program like `pdfcrop` can then be used to automatically correct the bounding box for all images in the image container:

```

latex manuscript.tex
dvips -Ppdf -o manuscript-pre.ps manuscript.dvi
ps2pdf manuscript-pre.ps manuscript-pre.pdf
pdfcrop manuscript-pre.pdf manuscript-pics.pdf

```

6.5 pdftricks

`pdftricks` differs from the packages discussed so far in that it produces individual PDF files for POSTSCRIPT based images. Originally it was meant to be used in conjunction with the popular `psstricks` package. `pdftricks` requires the the shell-escape capability (a.k.a. `\write18` capability) activated and the programs `ps2eps` and `epstopdf` to be installed and in the system’s search path.

In that case a the manuscript can simply be translated by

```

pdflatex -shell-escape manuscript.tex

```

provided that images are enclosed in an `{pdfpic}` environment. There is no need for a `{psfrags}` environment anymore, because `\psfrag` definitions are already local.

```

preamble
\newbox\subfigbox
\makeatletter
\newenvironment{subfig}{%
  \def\caption##1{%
    \gdef\subcapsave{\relax##1}}%
  \let\subcapsave\@empty
  \setbox\subfigbox\hbox
  \bgroup}
{\egroup
  \subfigure[\subcapsave]{\box\subfigbox}}
\makeatother

```

```

document
\begin{subfigure}
\begin{pdfpic}
...
\end{pdfpic}
\end{subfigure}

```

Figure 5: How to include a `{pdfpic}` environment into a subfigure.

```

\begin{pdfpic}
\input{example-psfrag.tex}
\includegraphics[width=...]{example-psfrag.eps}
\end{pdfpic}

```

The `{pdfpic}` environment is a `{verbatim}`-like environment that writes its content to a file; e.g., `manuscript-fig1.tex`, though the number is incremented for each `{pdfpic}`, which in turn is processed by a `LATEX`, `dvips`, `epstopdf` sequence. Any additional packages required for this `LATEX` run can be included using the `{psinputs}` environment. In our case this will usually mean

```

\usepackage{pdftricks}
\begin{psinputs}
\usepackage{psfrag,amsmath,graphicx}
\end{psinputs}

```

and possibly `mma4tex`, see section 9.

A restriction arises from the `{verbatim}` nature of `{pdfpic}`: it cannot be used as an argument to other macros. This may be an issue when used in conjunction with the `subfigure` package, whose documentation recommends to set up a `\subfigure`-like environment as presented in fig. 5.

When the `\write18` capability is not available, one may perform the same steps by hand or using the `pst2pdf` shell script that accompanies `pdftricks`. (The latter should work for example in a `CygWin` environment [15].) These steps have are

```

latex example-fig1.tex
dvips -Ppdf -o example-fig1.ps example-fig1.dvi
ps2eps -l -f example-fig1.ps
epstopdf example-fig1.eps

```

and have to be repeated for each `*-fig?.tex` file. Once the figures have been generated, one may switch off processing with `\NoProcess[1-100]`, where the maximum has to be sufficiently large.

7 Command reference

The following is a complete list of all public symbols provided by the `MathPSfrag` package. The order is approximately alphabetic, though options are collected below the corresponding function. For a truly alphabetic list, have a look at the index.

`BoundingBoxFromRaster[$\langle rastergraphics \rangle$, $\langle extramargin \rangle$]` returns the smallest rectangle around the non empty region of `rastergraphics`. This rectangle is enlarged by `extramargin` in all directions. This function is used when the `BoundingBoxDevice` (see there) is not set to `bbox`. `BoundingBoxFromRaster`

`CreatePSfragRules[$\langle expr \rangle$]` generates the `TEX` commands corresponding to any `PSfrag` used in $\langle expr \rangle$. This is an auxiliary function for $\langle PSfragExport \rangle$ and may be directly used for debugging or educational purposes. You may want to apply it to a `Graphics` object whose labels contain `PSfrag` commands. The usual application is `CreatePSfragRules[FullGraphics[anyplot]]`. `CreatePSfragRules`

1. `RenumberTags`: Option for `CreatePSfragRules` that can also be passed through `PSfragExport` (see there).
2. `PSfragPrologue`: Option for `CreatePSfragRules` that can also be passed through `PSfragExport` (see there).

`FetchGhostscriptDevices[$\langle tempfilename \rangle$]` calls `Ghostscript` to find out which of the devices listed in `$MathPSfragGlobal`PredefGsDevices` are supported by the particular version of `Ghostscript` on the current system. `FetchGhostscriptDevices`

`Format...` A number of (internal) options for `HandleAutomaticPSfrag`, that can also be passed to `PSfragExport`. *This is an internal feature that is present to keep the design flexible and separate the general processing from the logic required for the treatment of particular `Plot` options. When you want to override the default behavior often it is easier to use `PSfrag` of `PSfragTicks`.* All `MathPSfrag`Format*` options can be used to fine-tune the output of the current automatic handling of axes labels and the like. Their respective default value is usually just `PSfrag`, which is wrapped around each `Text` `Format`

element that is produced by `Plot` options like `AxesLabel` or `Ticks`. Since the default behavior of `PSfrag` is to call `GuessTeX`, you obtain the $\text{T}_{\text{E}}\text{X}$ code that is generated by this rather imperfect function. You can include your own $\text{T}_{\text{E}}\text{X}$ generating function by setting `Format...→PSfrag[#,TeXCommand→mytexguesser[#]]&`, where you obviously would have to implement `mytexguesser` to convert an arbitrary expression that could show up into a $\text{T}_{\text{E}}\text{X}$ command. For `Tick` marks these are usually just numbers, so you might want to use the `FormatTicksX` and `FormatTicksY` options to apply a function that sets exactly the number format you want. See also `NumberToTeX`, a function that could be used for this job.

The full list of these options is

- `FormatAxesLabelX`, `FormatAxesLabelY`, `FormatFrameLabelEast`, `FormatFrameLabelEastRotated`, `FormatFrameLabelNorth`, `FormatFrameLabelSouth`, `FormatFrameLabelWest`, `FormatFrameLabelWestRotated`, `FormatFrameTicksEast`, `FormatFrameTicksNorth`, `FormatFrameTicksSouth`, `FormatFrameTicksWest`, `FormatPlotLabel`, `FormatTicksX`, `FormatTicksY`.

The “rotated” variants are used when `Rotated→True` has been applied to the graphics.

`GenerateTemporaryName` `GenerateTemporaryName["⟨prepend⟩"]` creates a string that can be used as a unique file name and starts with a given string "`⟨prepend⟩`".

`GuessTag` `GuessTag[⟨expr⟩]` tries to create a unique string describing `⟨expr⟩` and entirely consisting of alpha-numerical characters. (This is called a “tag”.) It is used by `PSfrag` when `PSfragTag→Automatic` is set (default).

- `MaximumTagLength`: Option for `GuessTag`. This sets the maximum length of a tag produced by `GuessTag`.
- `MinimumTagLength`: Option for `GuessTag`. This sets the minimum length of a tag produced by `GuessTag`.

`GuessTeX` `GuessTeX[⟨expr⟩]` creates a string containing the $\text{T}_{\text{E}}\text{X}$ form of `⟨expr⟩`. It is used by `PSfrag` (see there) when `TeXCommand→Automatic` is set (default).

`ReplacementHookCooperative` `ReplacementHookCooperative` Option for `GuessTeX` which contains a list of shape `{{priority, test, applybefore, applyafter},...}` that can be used to customize the behavior of `GuessTeX`. Starting with the lowest value of `priority`, each `test` is called with the MATHEMATICA expression that `GuessTeX` is supposed to transform into a $\text{L}_{\text{A}}\text{T}_{\text{E}}\text{X}$ expression. Each `test` that returns `True` will cause the respective `applybefore` command to be applied to the MATHEMATICA expression. In addition after the default generation of $\text{L}_{\text{A}}\text{T}_{\text{E}}\text{X}$ code that is preformed in any case, the associated `applyafter` command is applied to the string containing the $\text{L}_{\text{A}}\text{T}_{\text{E}}\text{X}$ code.

ReplacementHookExclusive Option for `GuessTeX` which contains a list of shape `ReplacementHook`
`{{priority, test, command},...}` that can be used to customize the behavior of `GuessTeX`. Starting with the lowest value of `priority`, each `test` is called with the MATHEMATICA expression that is to be transformed to a L^AT_EX expression. The first test returning `True` – if any – will stop the default generation of L^AT_EX code. Instead the associated `command` is called and its return value is used as T_EX code. `Exclusive`

`HandleAutomaticPSfrag[graphics,opts]` wraps `PSfrag` commands around all textual elements generated by the graphics options `AxesLabel`, `Ticks`, `PlotLabel`, `FrameLabel` and `FrameTicks`. It accepts a number of options, all starting with `Format`, that allow to fine-tune this behavior. For example `FormatTicksX` has the default value `PSfrag`. Setting `FormatTicksX→(PSfrag[#,TeXCommand→myFormatter[#]]&)` would allow to write a function that gives better T_EX output for all entries on the x axis. See also `NumberToTeX`. `HandleAutomatic`
`PSfrag`

The following are default handlers that take care of auto-wrapping `PSfrag` commands around the `Text` elements generated by the associated `Plot` option. Use `OptionsToHandle` to decide if this handler is called and the corresponding `Format...` options to fine-tune the formatting.

- `HandleAxesLabel`
- `HandleFrameLabel`
- `HandleFrameTicks`
- `HandlePlotLabel`
- `HandleTicks`

`MathPSfragConfigurationTest[[tempfile],[opts]]` checks the configuration of `UnPSfrag` (see there). `[tempfile]` is by default a (hopefully) unique name generated from `$SessionId`. It is written to the current directory. By default the test is not carried out if `[tempfile]` already exists, though you can set `ForceOverwrite→True` as an option to change that. Be careful. It may be better to simply provide a different name for `tempfile`. `MathPSfrag`
`Configuration`
`Test`

`NextLaTeXError[[n]]` displays the *n*-th error in a L^AT_EX run performed by `UnPSfrag`. When omitting the argument it shows the first error message. `NextLaTeXError`

`OptionHandlers`: Option for `HandleAutomaticPSfrag` and `PSfragExport` that assigns to `Plot` options different default handlers that actually carry out the formatting. Usually do not touch this option but instead use the corresponding `Format...` options to change the behavior or switch automatic handling off by setting `OptionsToHandle` accordingly. `OptionHandlers`

OptionsToHandle **OptionsToHandle** Option for **HandleAutomaticPSfrag** and **PSfragExport** that contains a list of all options that are taken care off by the automatics. Currently automatics are implemented for **AxesLabel**, **Ticks**, **PlotLabel**, **FrameLabel**, **FrameTicks**, which is the default value of **OptionsToHandle**. You can switch off the automatics entirely by setting this option to `.` The formatting of a Plot's elements can be changed by setting the corresponding **Format...** options.

PSfrag **PSfrag**[*⟨expr⟩*, [*opts*]] can be used to achieve a higher level of control over the output of **PSfragExport** by attaching individual typesetting information to *⟨expr⟩*. Use **PSfrag**[*expr*] where ever you want to display **StandardForm**[*⟨expr⟩*] (or **TraditionalForm**) on the screen, while a corresponding **TeX** command will be prepared for use within **LAT_EX**. A typical use is **Plot**[..., **PlotLabel**→**PSfrag**[*expr*,*opts*]]. The most important option to **PSfrag** is **TeXCommand**, which allows to define how *expr* is typeset when exported to an EPS file.

Use **PSfragExport**[*⟨filename⟩*, *⟨graphics⟩*] to write an EPS file in the current working directory (see **SetDirectory**). **PSfragExport** will append a suffix (default: `-psfrag.eps`) to *⟨filename⟩*. This file will contain a substitute alphanumeric tag for every **PSfrag** command which in turn is replaced by a **TeX** command (by default guessed by a stupid algorithm) using the `\psfrag` command (see documentation of `psfrag.sty`). The replacement **TeX** rules are by default written to `filename-psfrag.tex`. You may independently generate and display these `\psfrag` commands by **CreatePSfragRules**[*graphics*].

PSfrag is automatically threaded over a **List** when the argument of **TeXCommand** is a **List** of same length.

The available options are **TeXCommand**, **TeXPosition**, **PSPosition**, **PSRotation**, **PSScaling**, **PSfragTag**. Each has a separate help text. You might also want to study the documentation shipped with `psfrag.sty`.

PSfragTag **PSfragTag** is an option of **PSfrag** that may be used to manually set the **tag** that is used by the **TeX** command `\psfrag` to substitute for a **TeX** command. Usually the default setting (**PSfragTag**→**Automatic**) gives good results an should be left unchanged. If you have problems with too large tags, you might also try to use **RenumberTags**→**True** as an option for **PSfragExport**, which yields shorter tags.

PSPosition **PSPosition** is an option of **PSfrag** defining the alignment of the postscript text output by **Export**. Its default **CopyTeXPosition** takes over value of the **TeXPosition** option, while the value **Automatic** is replaced by the alignment of the first surrounding **Text** graphics directive. Explicit values can be the same as those of **Position**.

CopyTeXPosition **CopyTeXPosition**: Default value of **PSfrag**'s option **PSPosition**.

PSRotation **PSRotation** is an option of **PSfrag**. Its range is 0 to 360 degree. It may be used to

turn the text counterclockwise in the final POSTSCRIPT output.

`PSScaling` is an option of `PSfrag`. It is a positive number which is used to increase the size of any \TeX command's output in the final EPS file. The default value is 1, meaning no rescaling. It is recommended not to use this option but instead use \TeX commands like `\small`. `MathPSfrag` inserts `\PFGstyle` commands in front of each \TeX expression. Issuing `\newcommand{\PFGstyle}{\small}` in the preamble will therefore scale all labels in a manuscript. `PSScaling`

`TeXCommand` is an option of `PSfrag`. The default `PSfrag[⟨expression⟩, TeXCommand ↷→Automatic]` deduces the \TeX command from the given expression. For complicated expressions, this may not give satisfactory results and you may have to set them by hand using `TeXCommand→"TeX command string"`. (Note, that the `TeXForm` output of MATHEMATICA is version dependent.) If the argument is not a string, it is assumed to be a function that returns a suitable \TeX string when applied to the MATHEMATICA expression. `TeXCommand`

`TeXPosition` is an option of `PSfrag` defining the alignment of the \TeX text replacing the tag in the EPS output. Possible values are any two-character combination of ("B", "t", "c", "b") and ("l", "c", "r"). The default is `Automatic`. For the x label in `AxesLabel` you should use "Bl". `TeXPosition`

`TeXShift→{⟨x⟩,⟨y⟩}` is an option of `PSfrag` shifting the position of the \TeX box by the specified amount. $\langle x \rangle$ and $\langle y \rangle$ are \TeX dimensions; e.g., 3cm or 4pt. When a numeric value is given, the unit `pt` is assumed. `TeXShift`

`TeXShiftX→⟨value⟩` is equivalent to `TeXShift→{⟨value⟩,0}`. `TeXShiftX`

`TeXShiftY→⟨value⟩` is equivalent to `TeXShiftY→{0,⟨value⟩}`. `TeXShiftY`

`PSfragExport[⟨filename⟩, ⟨graphics⟩, [opts]]` writes an Encapsulated Post-Script (EPS) version of `graphics` into a file. `Filename` may contain a directory, otherwise the EPS file is written into the current working directory. This EPS file is meant to be read by `\includegraphics` and processed by the `PSfrag` \LaTeX package. The \TeX commands required by `PSfrag` are also written into a file. Note that `PSfragExport` automatically appends suffices defined by `EpsSuffix→...` and `TeXSuffix→...` to create the actual file names. `PSfragExport` first generates automatic `PSfrag` commands for all textual elements of a graphic (including numbers and formulas) by calling `HandleAutomaticPSfrag`. All options `[opts]` are passed through. This means that in particular special formatting `PSfragExport`

instructions of `HandleAutomaticPSfrag` can be given directly to `PSfragExport`. The second step is to call `PSfragManualExport`, which does the actual job of creating the EPS and \TeX file. A list containing $\langle filename \rangle$ and the names of the generated files is returned. This list is suitable as input for `UnPSfrag`, such that typical usage looks like this: `PSfragExport["mydemo",myplot]//UnPSfrag`

- `EpsSuffix`
- `TeXSuffix`

`PSfragManualExport`

`PSfragManualExport[$\langle filename \rangle$, $\langle graphics \rangle$]` converts all `PSfrag` entries in a `Graphics` object into alphanumerical tags using `CreatePSfragRules`. The result is exported into an ordinary EPS file, while the generated `\psfrag` \TeX commands are written into a \TeX file. The respective file names are determined from the parameter $\langle filename \rangle$ and the suffix given in the `PSfragExport` options `EpsSuffix` and `TeXSuffix`. `PSfragManualExport` returns a list of the form `{filename, epsfilename, texfilename}`, which is suitable as input to `UnPSfrag`. `PSfragManualExport` is internally called by `PSfragExport` after constructing automatic `PSfrag` commands for all textual elements in a graphic by calling `HandleAutomaticPSfrag`.

`PSfragTicks`

`PSfragTicks[$\langle tickspec \rangle$, $\langle opts \rangle$]` maps `PSfrag[#, $\langle opts \rangle$]` at each label in a tick mark specification (see the `Ticks` option of `Plot`). Note that `tickspec` is for one axis only, so `PSfragTicks` has to be applied to each axis. Since `PSfragExport` applied to two-dimensional graphics will automatically wrap `PSfrag` at the correct positions, this is only needed, when you want to have additional control over the output or for three-dimensional plots.

A typical usage example:

```
Needs["CustomTicks"];
Plot3D[... , Ticks->{
  PSfragTicks[LinTicks[xmin,xmax], TeXPosition->"Bc"],
  PSfragTicks[LinTicks[ymin,ymax], TeXPosition->"B1"],
  PSfragTicks[LinTicks[zmin,zmax], TeXPosition->"Br" ]};
```

`TextToPSfrag`

`TextToPSfrag[$\langle graphics \rangle$]` simply wraps `PSfrag` around all `Text` directives contained in $\langle graphics \rangle$. It is used by `HandleAutomaticPSfrag`, which in turn is called by `PSfragExport`.

`UnPSfrag`

`UnPSfrag[$\langle outputprefix \rangle$, $\langle epsinfile \rangle$, $\langle texinfile \rangle$, $\langle opts \rangle$]` transforms an EPS graphics file $\langle epsinfile \rangle$ relying on `\psfrag` commands (contained in $\langle texinfile \rangle$) into a standalone graphics. `outputprefix` should give a valid filename when a suffix like `.eps` or `.pdf` is appended.

Example:

```
UnPSfrag[PSfragExport["example",myplot]]; or  
PSfragExport["example",myplot]//UnPSfrag;
```

`BoundingBoxDevice` is an option for `UnPSfrag` that defaults to Ghostscript's `bbox` device. Do not change this option unless you have good reason to do so. The format is a *device triplet* as described for the `PreviewDevice` option. You may choose a raster device like `png` or `pnm` here in which case Mathematica will determine the bounding box from the bitmap graphic by counting non-empty rows and columns. This is not quite as precise as the bounding box generated from Ghostscript's `bbox` device and takes more memory and time. It has the advantage of correctly dealing with invisible elements, which are not cut off by Ghostscript's `bbox`.

`DvipsExecutable` is an option for `UnPSfrag` that contains an absolute or relative name of the `dvips` command. On Unixes this will usually be in the system path, so no change will be required in most cases. On Windows systems `dvips` neither has a standard location nor is it necessarily in one of the folders given in the system's `PATH` environment variable. In that case, you will have to manually search the `dvips` program and set the absolute path explicitly, e.g. `DvipsExecutable`→`"C:\Programs\texmf\bin\dvips"`. Also make sure to set the correct values of `LaTeXExecutable` and `GhostscriptExecutable`. You can check your configuration with `MathPSfragConfigurationTest`. The `MathPSfrag` `>-Test.nb` notebook gives a step-by-step guide for the correct configuration of `UnPSfrag`.

`DvipsOptions` is an option for `UnPSfrag` that is passed on to `dvips` when producing EPS files. Its default value `"-Ppdf"` will ensure replace bitmap by outline fonts on most modern systems.

`ForceOverwrite`→boolean Option for `UnPSfrag` and for `MathPSfragConfiguration` `>Test` (see there, respectively).

`GhostscriptExecutable`→"*string*" is an option for `UnPSfrag` that contains an absolute or relative name of the Ghostscript command. On Unixes this defaults to `gs` and will usually be in the system path, so no change will be required in most cases. Sometimes you have to change this to `gs-gpl`. On Windows systems, this option defaults to `gswin32c`, but the program neither has a standard location nor is it necessarily in one of the folders given in the system's `PATH` environment variable. In that case, you will have to manually search the `gswin32c` program and set the absolute path explicitly; e.g. `GhostscriptExecutable`→`"C:\Programs\texmf\bin\latex"`. Also make sure to set the correct values of `LaTeXExecutable` and `DvipsExecutable`. You can check your configuration with `MathPSfragConfigurationTest`. The `MathPSfrag-Test.nb` notebook gives a step-by-step guide for the correct configuration of `UnPSfrag`. (Also have a look

at [\\$PostMathPSfrag](#) explained there.)

- IncludeGraphicsOptions** `IncludeGraphicsOptions` is an option for [UnPSfrag](#) that can be used to change the size of the generated image. For example `IncludeGraphicsOptions→"width=3in"` will change the size of the plot. However the size is only approximate since L^AT_EX does not include the size of the labels in the calculation.
- LaTeXExecutable** `LaTeXExecutable` is an option for [UnPSfrag](#) that contains an absolute or relative name of the `latex` command. On Unixes this will usually be in the system path, so no change will be required in most cases. On Windows systems `latex` neither has a standard location nor is it necessarily in one of the folders given in the system's PATH environment variable. In that case, you will have to manually search the `latex` program and set the absolute path explicitly, e.g. `LaTeXExecutable→"C:\Programs\texmf\bin\latex"`. Also make sure to set the correct values of `DvipsExecutable` and `GhostscriptExecutable`. You can check your configuration with `MathPSfragConfigurationTest`. The `MathPSfrag▷-Test.nb` notebook gives a step-by-step guide for the correct configuration of [UnPSfrag](#). Also have a look at [\\$PostMathPSfrag](#).
- LaTeXOptions** `LaTeXOptions` is an option for [UnPSfrag](#) that contains command line options passed on to L^AT_EX during the creation of EPS files.
- MasterTeXFile** `MasterTeXFile` is an option for [UnPSfrag](#) that contains the full T_EX file that is used to convert the psfrag-EPS into a final POSTSCRIPT version. Then Ghostscript is used to convert this pure POSTSCRIPT file into other formats.
- PreviewDevice** `PreviewDevice` is an option for [UnPSfrag](#). Unless there are severe problems, the only value you might choose instead of the default is `None` to suppress generation of preview images. Allowed values are `None` or a device triplet; i.e. a list `{gsdevice, suffix, options}`, where `gsdevice` is the name of a Ghostscript device, `suffix` is a string that is a suitable suffix for the generated file, e.g. `.eps` for an EPS file, and `options` are additional command line options to Ghostscript that can be used to change anti-aliasing settings or the like. Typically a preview device should be a raster device, like `pnm` or `png`. Further information can be found in the documentation of the Ghostscript program.
- RemoveTemporaries** `RemoveTemporaries` is an option for [UnPSfrag](#) that can be set to `False` for debugging.
- SuppressOutput** `SuppressOutput` is an option for [UnPSfrag](#) that contains instructions to discard output of external programs.

`TemporaryDirectory` is an option for `UnPSfrag` that gives the name of a subdirectory where the \LaTeX run is performed. All intermediate files are stored there. The temporary directory is removed after successful execution unless `RemoveTemporaries` has been set to `False`. `Temporary`
`▷Directory`

`TeXPreamble` is an option for `UnPSfrag` that in particular can be used to change the fonts used in the image. `UnPSfrag` needs a \TeX file to convert a `psfrag`-EPS file, as produced by `PSfragExport`, to an EPS file independent of any `psfrag` commands. `TeXPreamble` is a string that is included in the `TeXPreamble` of that file and can be used to include additional \LaTeX packages. For example: `TeXPreamble`→"`\usepackage{euler}`" to change the math fonts. `TeXPreamble`

`UnPSfragOutputFormats` is an option for `UnPSfrag` that contains a list of devices triplets; i.e. `{gsdev1, suffix1, opts1}, ..., {gsdevN, suffixN, optsN}`. `gsdev` is a string containing the Ghostscript device like `png`, `pdf` and so forth. The `suffix` is for the filename and should contain a leading dot; i.e. `.png`, `.pdf`. The options in `opts` are passed to the respective Ghostscript call and allow to set additional options. In particular the resolution and the anti-aliasing settings. `UnPSfragOutput`
`▷Formats`

8 General auxiliary functions

`PatchType1FontIntoEps[⟨infile⟩,⟨outfile⟩]` copies missing fonts into an EPS file. This is a hack that will result in possibly usable but not standard conformant EPS files. The upshot: **Do not use this**. You will not need this when you replace all expressions with `MathPSfrag`, which is a clean solution. `PatchType1Font`
`▷IntoEps`

`NumberToTeX[⟨number⟩,[opts]]` returns a string containing \TeX code that represents `number`. There are several options that influence the appearance of `number`: `IntegerPartDigits` determines the number of digits before the decimal point in a floating point number, `FractionalPartDigits` sets the number of digits after the decimal point. When `ChopExponent` is `True`, exponents of the form 10^0 are suppressed. `ChopImaginaryPart`→`True` turns complex numbers with almost vanishing imaginary part into real numbers. In a similar manner `Integerize`→`True` will turn floating point numbers like `1.` into integers. `ExponentSymbol`→"`\cdot 10^{\hat{n}}`" will format floats in the form `1.23 \cdot 10^{4}`. This is the default behavior. Example: `NumberToTeX[Exp[10.]]`. `NumberToTeX`

- `ChopExponent`, `ChopFractionalPart`, `ChopImaginaryPart`, `ExponentSymbol`, `FractionalPartDigits`, `Integerize`, `IntegerPartDigits`, `IntegerToReal`, `RationalToReal`

`NumToBase52[⟨integer⟩]` converts a non-negative `integer` into an alphabetic string. `NumToBase52`

`LatinCharacterSet` is a list containing all 52 letters from “A” to “Z” and “a” to “z”.
Used by `LatinQ`.

`LatinNumCharacterSet` is a list of all 52 Latin letters and 10 digits. Used by `LatinNumQ`.

`LatinNumQ["<string>"]` returns `True` if `string` consists entirely of alphanumerical characters (A-Z, a-z, 0-9).

`LatinQ["<string>"]` returns `True` if `string` consists entirely of letters A to Z and a to z.

9 MATHEMATICA 4.x–5.0

`MathPSfrag` creates the \LaTeX code that corresponds to a particular MATHEMATICA expression by calling `TeXForm`. Starting from version 5.1 the `TeXForm` output is self-supporting code, that only requires a few standard packages. Pre-5.1 `TeXForm` output will require an additional style file providing MATHEMATICA fonts that have to be configured accordingly [6, 7, 8]. In the new approach, since a large number of MATHEMATICA symbols do not have counterparts in standard \LaTeX packages, some symbols are created by gluing together existing symbols. When applied carefully, this method can achieve acceptable results; though the current implementation is not optimal yet.

The problem with the pre-5.1 output in conjunction with the `PSfrag` method is that it requires the MATHEMATICA fonts to be available in the publisher’s \LaTeX installation, while in general they will—if at all—only be available to the author. (This should not be a problem when the author decides to follow the `UnPSfrag` approach, where all required fonts are embedded into the image files. It is then however necessary to include the style files by setting the according `UnPSfrag` option: `TeXPreamble`→`"\usepackage{...}"`.)

To avoid these problems in the `PSfrag` approach requires a compatibility package (`mma4tex.tex`) that is included in the `MathPSfrag` distribution. Basically it parses MATHEMATICA 4.x–5.0 \LaTeX code and replaces it by code similar to the output of version 5.1/5.2. When `MathPSfrag` detects MATHEMATICA 5.0 or earlier, `PSfragExport` creates automatically `PSfrag` files that attempt to load `mma4tex.tex` and issue a warning when unsuccessful. There is also a corresponding style file `mma4tex.sty` that additionally loads the required font packages and ensures that `mma4tex.tex` is only loaded once. It is recommended to include it in the preamble. Therefore both files have to be installed where \LaTeX can find them; e.g., in a directory `tex/latex/mma4tex/` relative to the `texmf` directory of the \LaTeX distribution. Thereafter the file database (“`ls-R`”) has to be updated. Again the details depend on the distribution. Typical names of the update command are `mktexlsr` or `texhash`. For MiKTeX there is the choice between the command line program (`initexmf -u`) and a graphical configuration program (“MiKTeX Options” or “Settings”; press the button “General/File Name Database/Refresh Now”).

10 Known Bugs and Limitations

`MathPSfrag` relies on three MATHEMATICA commands: `TeXForm`, `FullGraphics` and `AbsoluteOptions`. All are potential sources of failure.

For the first one, this is due to substantial changes concerning its output in its version history, which do not seem to have been publicly documented. With the latest steps in the transition towards `amsmath` compatible \LaTeX though, `TeXForm` will probably stabilize with respect to its need for non-standard \LaTeX packages. To make the `TeXForm` output of MATHEMATICA versions 4.x–5.0 rely on standard packages only, a compatibility layer has been written, cf. section 9. However it will not produce satisfactory output regarding those MATHEMATICA symbols that have no direct counterpart in \LaTeX . Since for most purposes the symbols available in \LaTeX are sufficient, this is only a minor restriction, which also applies to the `TeXForm` output of MATHEMATICA version 5 anyway. In any case, single occurrences of malformed `TeXForm` output may easily be overridden using the `TeXCommand` option of `PSfrag`.

The automatic positioning relies on `FullGraphics`, which is not faithful in the sense that `Show[...]` and `Show[FullGraphics[...]]` do not yield exactly the same output. The same is true for `AbsoluteOptions` and may be a potential source of errors. The code has been written such that the `FullGraphics` plot is only used for alignment information but discarded afterward in order to isolate this discrepancy.

For `AbsoluteOptions` this has not been possible since its output is directly needed. So far the only observed difference is that `AbsoluteOptions` turns integers into floating point numbers. Therefore a mechanism to override this behavior has been implemented in `GuessTeX`, the function implementing automatic generation of \LaTeX code in `MathPSfrag`: Floating point numbers very close to integers are converted back to integers. Clearly this introduces another potential source of mysterious errors. Therefore this mechanism can be completely configured.

`GuessTeX` provides two options: `ReplacementHookCooperative` and `ReplacementHookExclusive`. The former contains of a set of rules, each of which is a list of the form `{rank, test, trafoexpr, trafotex}`. The rank is simply used to determine the order of the rules (low rank first). For all rules, `test` is a function that evaluates the MATHEMATICA expression to be turned into \LaTeX and determines if the rule is activated. For all activated rule, first all `trafoexpr` functions are applied to the MATHEMATICA expression, it is then turned into a \LaTeX string using `TeXForm` and finally the `trafotex` transformations are applied to the string.

Currently there is only one rule (albeit in two different versions) for `ReplacementHookCooperative`:

```
ReplacementHookCooperative-> {
  If[$VersionNumber >= 5.1,
    {10000, True &, Identity, StringJoin["$ ", #, "$"] &},
    {10000, (Head[#] != String)&, Identity, StringJoin["$ ", #, "$"] &}};
```

MATHEMATICA 5.1 `TeXForm` always returns expressions in math mode, so the default rule is to always wrap dollar sign around the final expression. MATHEMATICA pre-5.1 `TeXForm` will return expressions that are strings in text mode, such that they don't need to be wrapped in dollar signs. (This is checked by the `test` in the last line.)

The `ReplacementHookExclusive` option contains a set of rules that have the form `{rank, test, trafo}`. The main difference is that the first rule that is activated (`test`

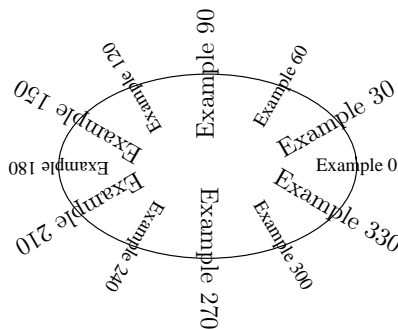


Figure 6: Example for substituting rotated text. To demonstrate that the new export function can preserve the orientation, only half of the labels have been substituted by L^AT_EX.

returns True) will immediately stop further evaluation by `GuessTeX`: The expression is handed over to `trafo` and its result is written unmodified into the `PSfrag` replacement file. Therefore `GuessTeX` expects this result to be a string. Only when none of these rules were activated, the “cooperative” mechanism described first will be employed.

The current content of the “exclusive” option is:

```
ReplacementHookExclusive->Join[{
  { 900, (NumberQ[#] && Chop[# - Round[#]] === 0 )&,
    "$" <> ToString[Round[#]] <> "$" &},
  {1000, (NumberQ[#] && (StringPosition[ToString[#], "\n"] === {})) &,
    "$" <> ToString[#] <> "$" &},
  {1100, NumberQ, "$" <> NumberToTeX[#] <> "$" &} },
If[$VersionNumber < 5.1, {
  {5000, (Head[#] === PaddedForm) &, ToString[" " <> ToString[#], TeXForm] &}
}, {}] ];
```

The first line undoes said `AbsoluteOptions` bug by rounding real numbers to integers when they are very close to integers already (less than 10^{-10}).

The `TeXForm` output of MATHEMATICA up to 5.2 always turns a number’s `InputForm` representation into T_EX. The second line uses `ToString`, which preserves the chosen form of the number. However, this approach will not work when a floating point number is processed that has a large exponent. (The test rejects multiple line output.) The third line will process any remaining numbers by applying `NumberToTeX`, a simple formatting function provided by `MathPSfrag`.

The last line intercepts another MATHEMATICA 4.x–5.0 peculiarity: `TeXForm` treats `PaddedForm` as a mathematical function whose name is output verbatim. `ToString` shows the correct behavior, that is merely a number. It should be noted that there is a number of other `...Form` commands that might not be treated correctly in MATHEMATICA pre-5.1 and require similar work-arounds.

11 Figure Source Code

The source code of all example plots is listed and commented below. It can also be found in the test notebook (`MathPSfragTest.nb`) that comes with `MathPSfrag` and can be used to configure and check the installation of `MathPSfrag`. In the example code below, it

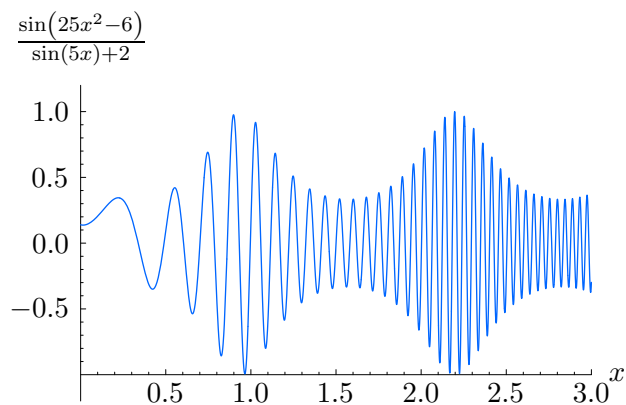


Figure 7: `HoldForm` example: Without `HoldForm`, MATHEMATICA would normal order the label on the y axis to $-\frac{\sin 6 - 25x^2}{2 + \sin(5x)}$. The `CustomTicks` package has been used to avoid the typical stripped decimal “1.” on the x axis.

will be assumed that all necessary packages have already been loaded. In particular the comparison of the automatic and manual examples should be educational.

11.1 Rotated Text

While in some environments MATHEMATICA does not rotate the letters of a rotated `Text` on screen, both the conventional `Export` and `PSfragExport` do the right thing, cf. fig. 6. Furthermore, it is demonstrated, that `PSfragExport` can apply the option `PlotRange`→`All` to the graphics before carrying out the export.

```
Show[Graphics[{
  Table[Text["Example " <> ToString[Round[phi*180/Pi]],
    {Cos[phi], Sin[phi]}, {0, 0}, {Cos[phi], Sin[phi]}],
    {phi, 0, 2Pi - 0.01, 2Pi/6}],
  Table[Text[PSfrag["Example " <> ToString[Round[phi*180/Pi]]],
    {Cos[phi], Sin[phi]}, {0, 0}, {Cos[phi], Sin[phi]}],
    {phi, 2Pi/12, 2Pi - 0.01, 2Pi/6}],
  Circle[{0, 0}, 1]
}]];
PSfragExport["ex_rot", %] // UnPSfrag;
```

11.2 HoldForm plus CustomTicks

Fig. 7 is a plain example demonstrating that `HoldForm` can be used to fix the shape of an expression while `LinTicks` from `CustomTicks` [10] can be used to circumvent the usual stripped decimal “1.” and print a much nicer “1.0” instead.

```
holdformexpr := HoldForm[Sin[25x^2 - 6]/(Sin[5x] + 2)];
holdformex = Plot[Evaluate[ReleaseHold[holdformexpr]], {x, 0, 3},
  AxesLabel→{x, holdformexpr},
  Ticks→{LinTicks[0, 3], LinTicks[-1, 1]},
  PlotStyle→Hue[0.6],
  PlotRange→{{0, 3}, {-1.2, 1.2}}, PlotPoints→100, AxesOrigin→{0, -1}]
PSfragExport["ex_hold", holdformex] // UnPSfrag
```

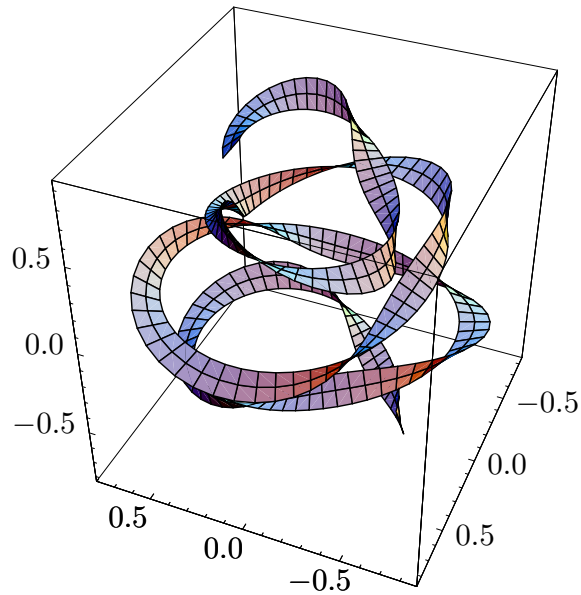


Figure 8: Three dimensional example: As there exists no `FullGraphics3D` command, manual labeling was required and the `RenumberTags` option of `PSfragExport` was used to produce smaller tags, increasing positioning precision.

11.3 Three-dimensional Knot

Here, the three-dimensional knot in fig. 8 is generated.

```
knot3d[r_, phi_] =
  Flatten[{{(0.5 + 0.2*Cos[phi/5] + r*Sin[1.7phi]){Cos[phi], Sin[phi]},
    phi/(5Pi) + r*Cos[1.7 phi]}}];

ParametricPlot3D[Evaluate[knot3d[r, phi]], {phi, -3Pi, 4Pi}, {r, 0.05, 0.2},
  Ticks -> {
    PSfragTicks[LinTicks[-1, 1], TeXPosition -> "Bc"],
    PSfragTicks[LinTicks[-1, 1], TeXPosition -> "B1"],
    PSfragTicks[LinTicks[-1, 1], TeXPosition -> "Br"]},
  PlotPoints -> {200, 3}, ViewPoint -> {-1.1, 2.6, 2.2}
PSfragExport["ex_3d"] // UnPSfrag;
```

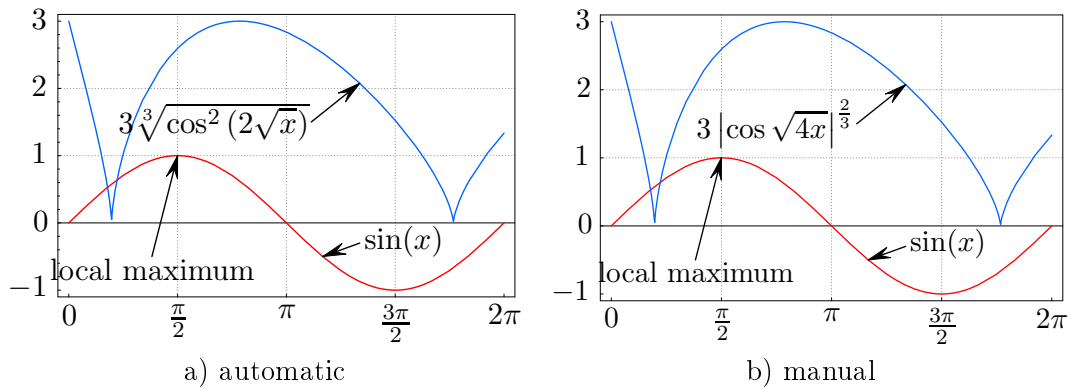


Figure 9: Comparison: a) Plot exported with `PSfragExport` vs. b) Plot without resorting to automatics; i.e., exported with `PSfragManualExport`. Additionally, the typesetting of the “cos...” label has been manually improved.

11.4 Automatic vs. Manual Example

Fig. 9a has been created using strictly the automatics provided through `PSfragExport`, while fig. 9b achieves the same result by not relying on automatics at all but instead marking each textual element with a `PSfrag` command and exporting with `PSfragManualExport`. Both examples share the first lines of code that stretch over the full width.

```
f1[x_] := Sin[x];
f2[x_] := 3*((Cos[2 Sqrt[x]])^2)^(1/3);

SimpleLabel[tip : {_, _}, txt_, txtpos : {_, _}, align : {_, _}] := Sequence[
  Arrow[txtpos, tip, HeadScaling→Absolute, HeadLength→8, HeadCenter→{0.6}],
  Text[txt, txtpos, align];

mygrid = Map[#, {AbsoluteDashing[{0.1, 1}], GrayLevel[0.5]}] &, {Pi*{1/2, 1, 3/2}, {1, 2}}, {2}];

(* Automatic *)

tickmarks = {
  Pi/2*{0, 1, 2, 3, 4},
  Automatic,
  None,
  None};

textlabels = Graphics[
  SimpleLabel[Pi/2, f1[Pi/2],
    "local maximum",
    {1, -0.5}, {0, 1}],
  SimpleLabel[7/6Pi, f1[7/6Pi],
    f1[x], {4.2, -0.3}, {-1, 0}],
  SimpleLabel[4.2, f2[4.2],
    f2[x],
    {3.5, 1.5}, {1, 0}]
];

rawplot = Plot[
  {f1[x], f2[x]}, {x, 0, 2 Pi},
  PlotStyle→{Hue[1.0], Hue[0.6]},
  Frame→True, FrameTicks→tickmarks,
  TextStyle→{FontFamily→"Times"}];

exampleplot = Show[rawplot, textlabels,
  GridLines→mygrid];

PSfragExport["ex_auto", exampleplot];
Export["ex_nopsfrag.eps", exampleplot];

(* Manual *)

mantickmarks = {
  N[#, PSfrag[#, TeXPosition→"tc"]] &
  /@ (Pi/2*{0, 1, 2, 3, 4}),
  N[#, PSfrag[#, TeXPosition→"cr"]] &
  /@ {-1, 0, 1, 2, 3},
  None, None};

mantextstr = "$3\left|\cos \sqrt{4x}\right|^{2/3}$";

mantextlabels = Graphics[
  SimpleLabel[Pi/2, f1[Pi/2],
    PSfrag["local maximum", TeXPosition→"tc"],
    {1, -0.5}, {0, 1}],
  SimpleLabel[7/6Pi, f1[7/6Pi],
    PSfrag[f1[x], TeXPosition→"cl"], {4.2, -0.3}, {-1, 0}],
  SimpleLabel[4.2, f2[4.2],
    PSfrag[f2[x], TeXPosition→"cr", TeXCommand→mantextstr],
    {3.5, 1.5}, {1, 0}]
];

manrawplot = Plot[
  {f1[x], f2[x]}, {x, 0, 2 Pi},
  PlotStyle→{Hue[1.0], Hue[0.6]},
  Frame→True, FrameTicks→mantickmarks
];

Show[manrawplot, mantextlabels,
  GridLines→mangrid];

PSfragManualExport["ex_manual", %];
```

12 How to bug report

There is a number of things you can do/tell me to speed up the process of finding the error:

1. What is your operating system (Windows, Linux, Mac OS)?
2. What is your MATHEMATICA version (4.x, 5.x, 6.x)?
3. What are the steps that lead to the error? Please create a *minimal* example. Just copy all lines needed (and *only* those) to reproduce the error into a fresh notebook. Then think about if there are lines that can still be removed. Then quit your kernel and evaluate the notebook in one rush.
4. Send me an email (see first page of this manual).
5. Send me your credit card number.⁵

⁵Just kidding, of course I only accept cash.

A Program Summary

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<i>Solution method:</i>	An automatic export function is provided that generates L ^A T _E X substitution labels.
<i>Requirements:</i>	L ^A T _E X, Ghostscript, PSfrag; recommended: <code>ps2eps</code> , <code>pdfcrop</code> , Perl
<i>Restrictions:</i>	The described method requires to some extent the use of Encapsulated PostScript (EPS) graphics though conversion to PDF is supported. Special MATHEMATICA characters that do not have a direct counterpart in L ^A T _E X will not show satisfactory typesetting quality. For MATHEMATICA versions earlier than 5.1, the automatically created L ^A T _E X code requires a compatibility L ^A T _E X package, which is included in the package. In MATHEMATICA 4.1, one of the examples does not work in its current form due to a bug in MATHEMATICA's <code>Export</code> command. However, the same effect can be achieved using exclusively MathPSfrag's rotation mechanism.
<i>Running time:</i>	41s for all examples in this article

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