

The scientific editor $\text{T}_{\text{E}}\text{X}_{\text{MACS}}$

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- Intro.
- Quick demo: math, tables, drawings, scripting.
- Plugins and sessions.
- Collaboration.
- Extending $\text{T}_{\text{E}}^{\text{X}}$ _{MACS}.

- **What it is**

- Truly WYSIWYG scientific editing and typesetting platform. **Structured** editor.
- Open source, GNU project. All major platforms.
- Fully extensible using SCHEME.
- Mainly C++ and SCHEME with mature codebase.
- Small team (4-8 active). Lead developer: [Joris van der Hoeven](#), CNRS.

- **What it isn't**

- T_EX. Nor E_MACS.
- A frontend to L^AT_EX.
- A programming language.
- Your kitchen robot.

- **Beautiful math**

$$|e^{tA_\varepsilon}| \leq e^{-t/\varepsilon} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \left(\frac{t}{\varepsilon}\right)^n \frac{1}{n!} \gamma^{n\varepsilon+1} = \gamma \exp \left\{ \frac{t}{\varepsilon} (\gamma^\varepsilon - 1) \right\}.$$

- **Fast input**

L^AT_EX input emulation **but(!)** intuitive shortcuts, (structured) variants.

- **Semantic editing**

Validation, manipulation, conversion, interfacing.

- Tables are easy

a	b	c
c	d	

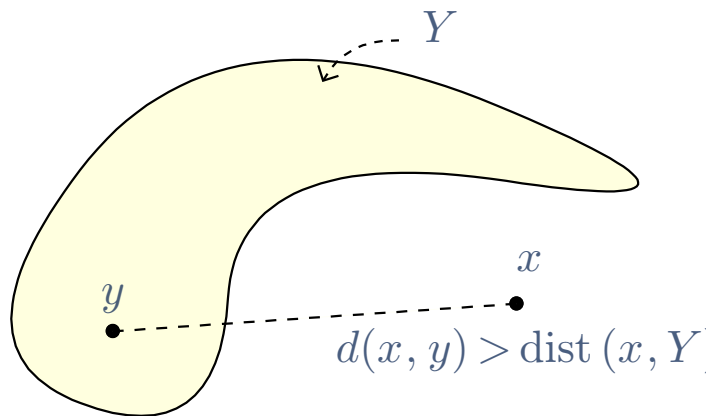
- And powerful

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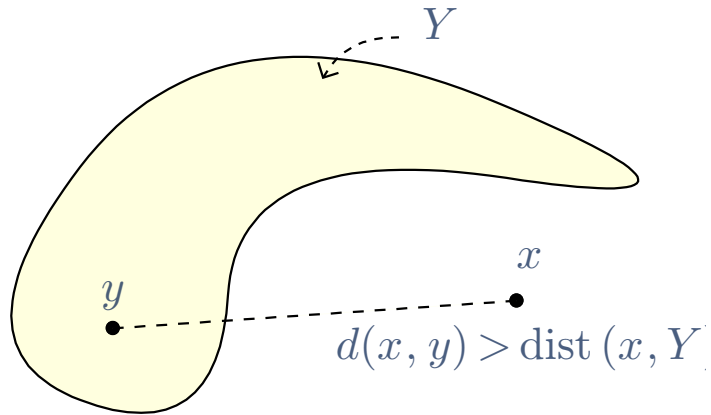
Table 1. A shopping list.

$\sin(4x^2)$	$\cos(4y^2)$
$8x \cos(4x^2)$	$-8y \sin(4y^2)$

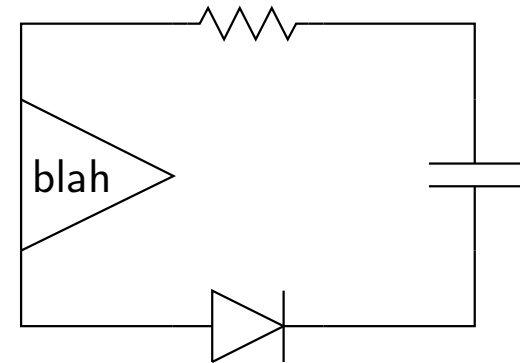
Table 2. More computations.



Simple vector graphics.



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User-defined graphical macros.

- **Scripting**

An example with MAXIMA:

Let $p(x) = x^2 - 9$ and $q(x) = x^2 + 6x + 9$. Integrate:

$$\int \frac{p(x)}{q(x)} dx = x - 6 \log(x + 3) + C.$$

- **Embedded sessions (later)**

- **Many plugins**

ASYMPTOTE, AXIOM, CADABRA, COQ, EUKLEIDES, GHOSTSCRIPT, GIAC, GNU-PLOT, GTYBALT, MACAULAY2, MATLAB, MAXIMA, OCTAVE, PARI, PYTHON, QCL, R, REDUCE, SAGE, SCILAB, TEXGRAPH, XFIG, YACAS and more...

- **Native converters**

PDF, XML, HTML+MATHML, L^AT_EX.

- **Styles with macro language**

Functional and powerful! (more later)

- **Bibliography**

BibT_EX support, custom styles, support for internal databases.

- **Beamer presentations**

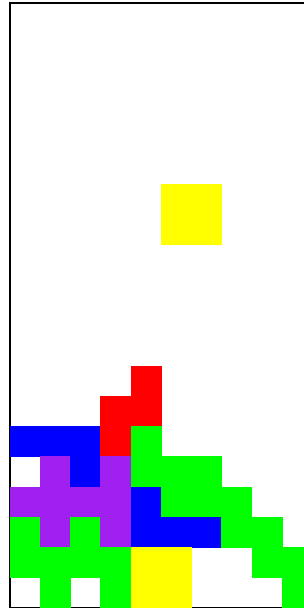
Live demos, live fixes!

- **Spell checking**

Uses standard ASPELL.

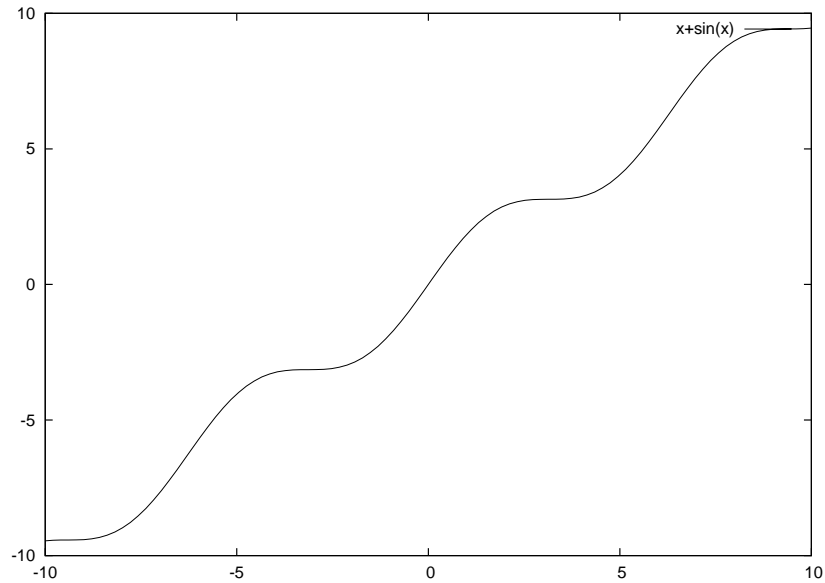
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```
>> (load (url->string (url-append (url-head (buffer-master)) "t-mockup.scm")))  
>> (start-game)
```



Sessions

```
GNUpot] plot [-10:10][-10:10] x+sin(x)
```



```
GNUpot]
```

Easy graphs

Plot surface	
Function	
$f:$	<input type="text" value="sin(x) cos(y)"/>
Range	
$x:$	<input type="text" value="-3"/> — <input type="text" value="3"/>
$y:$	<input type="text" value="-3"/> — <input type="text" value="3"/>

Figure. A simple surface plot.

A SCILAB session:

```
--> A = [0, 1; 0, 0]; B = [1 ; 1]; C = [1, 1];
```

```
--> S1 = syslin ('c', A, B, C)
```

```
S1 =
```

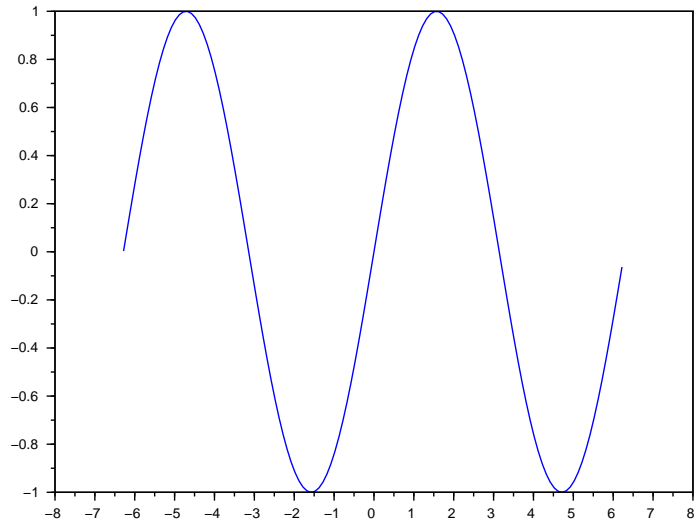
$$\begin{cases} \dot{X}(t) = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} X(t) + \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} U(t) \\ Y(t) = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} X(t) \end{cases}$$

```
--> x= -6.28:0.1:6.28; y= sin(x); plot (x, y);
```

```
-->
```

A SCILAB session:

--> `plotout()`;

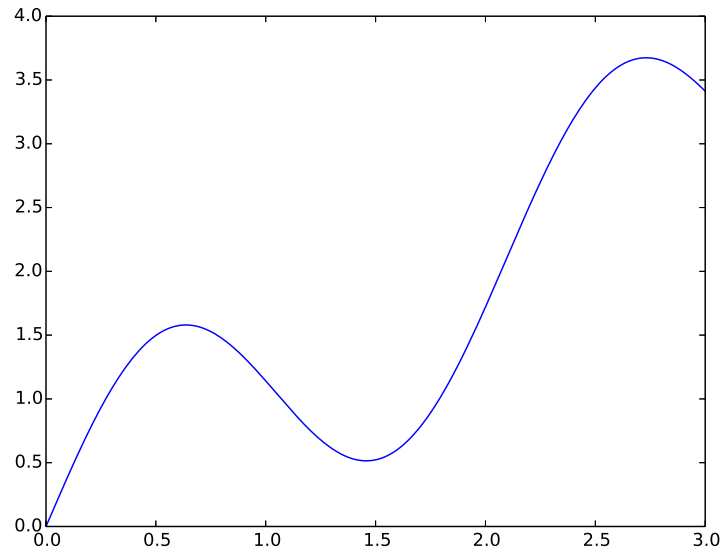


-->

```
>>> import matplotlib as mpl
      mpl.use('PS')
      import matplotlib.pyplot as pl
      import numpy as np
      x = np.linspace(0,3,200)
      pl.plot(x, x + np.sin(3*x))
      fig = pl.gcf()

>>>
```

```
>>> ps_out(fig)
```



```
>>>
```


- A live figure

Busy...

- A real example

Gaussian Mixtures and Expectation Maximization

- **Embedded** computations.
- **Remote** computations.
(not discussed here)
- **Embedded** graphics.
- **Live** documents.
- **Easy** to extend.

- **L^AT_EX**

Conservative conversions.

- **Versioning**

Tree diff better than line diff. Also: SVN support (GIT available but not integrated yet).

- **Remote documents**

T_E^X_{MACS} server.

- **Concurrent editing**

Currently under development.

- **Preferences & shortcuts**

Through UI and config files.

- **Stylesheet language**

Macros, control structures, variables, dynamic features.

- **SCHEME**

Coming up next.

- **Embedded SCHEME:**

Currently GUILE 1.8. Help needed for 2.0!

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Any sufficiently complicated C or Fortran program contains an ad hoc, informally-specified, bug-ridden, slow implementation of half of Common Lisp. (Greenspun's tenth rule)

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- Key bindings

```
>> (kbd-map
      (:mode in-math?)
      ("I var" (insert '(big "int"))))

("I tab")

>>
```

- Widgets

```
>> (tm-widget (demo-widget)
      (resize ("100px" "200px" "1000px") ("300px" "600px" "3000px")
        (tree-view (lambda (ev t) (if (== ev 1) (tree-select t)))
          (buffer-tree) (tree 'dummy))))

((guile-user))

>> (show demo-widget)

>>
```

```
>> (select (buffer-tree) '(:* screens shown :%1 tit :%1))
```

```
(<tree More <scheme>>)
```

```
>> (with 1 (select (buffer-tree) '(:* screens shown :%1 tit :%1))  
      (with t (car 1)  
        (tree-set! t (string->tree "Hi there!")))))
```


Is this **truly** the state of the art?

$$B = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 2 \\ 1 & 3 \end{pmatrix}, \quad \text{quad}$$

$$\textbf{x} = \begin{pmatrix} a \\ b \end{pmatrix}, \quad \text{quad}$$

$$\textbf{h} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 3 \\ 4 \\ 4 \end{pmatrix}.$$

Wir erhalten

$$B^T B = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 2 & 1 & 3 \\ 4 & 6 & 6 & 14 \end{pmatrix},$$

ausserdem existiert $(B^T B)^{-1}$, da $\det(B^T B) = 4 \cdot 14 - 6 \cdot 6 = 20 \neq 0$.
 Nach kurzer Rechnung mit Hilfe der zu B komplementären Matrix (bzw. der Formel für das Inverse einer 2×2 -Matrix) erhalten wir

$$(B^T B)^{-1} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 10 \\ 7 & -3 \\ -3 & 2 \end{pmatrix}.$$

In 2015 ?!?!?

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