

ST_EX Language and IDE Tutorial

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[sTeX](#) is a system for generating human-oriented documents in either [PDF](#) or [HTML](#) format, augmented with computer-actionable semantic information (conceptually) based on the [OMDoc](#) format and ontology.

In this document, we will give a broad but shallow introduction to [sTeX](#), and what you can get out of it. Additionally, this serves as an introduction to the [sTeX IDE](#).

Note that in [PDFs](#), the specific highlighting of semantically annotated text is fully customizable (see chapter 9 (User Manual) in the [sTeX Documentation](#)). In this document, we use [this highlighting](#) for [notation](#) components, [this highlighting](#) for [symbol](#) references, [this highlighting](#) for (local) [variables](#) and [this highlighting](#) for definienda; i.e. new concepts being introduced.

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0.1 This Tutorial: Overview

This tutorial has three parts: The first (??) introduces the foundations of semantic markup in [sTeX](#), the second (??) adds functionalities that are specific to highly mathematical subjects, and the third (??) introduces facilities for using [sTeX](#)-based markup in educational settings.

Chapter 1

Setting Up the sTeX IDE

sTeX is based on L^AT_EX, and adds additional layers of presentational and functional markup to it. As a consequence the source files of sTeX documents look quite different from the resulting XHTML and PDF documents. Thus the best way of interacting the sTeX document collections is via an *integrated development environment* (IDE). In this tutorial we will use the sTeX plugin for the VS Code, which you should set up as a first step (this also sets up the necessary auxiliary software).

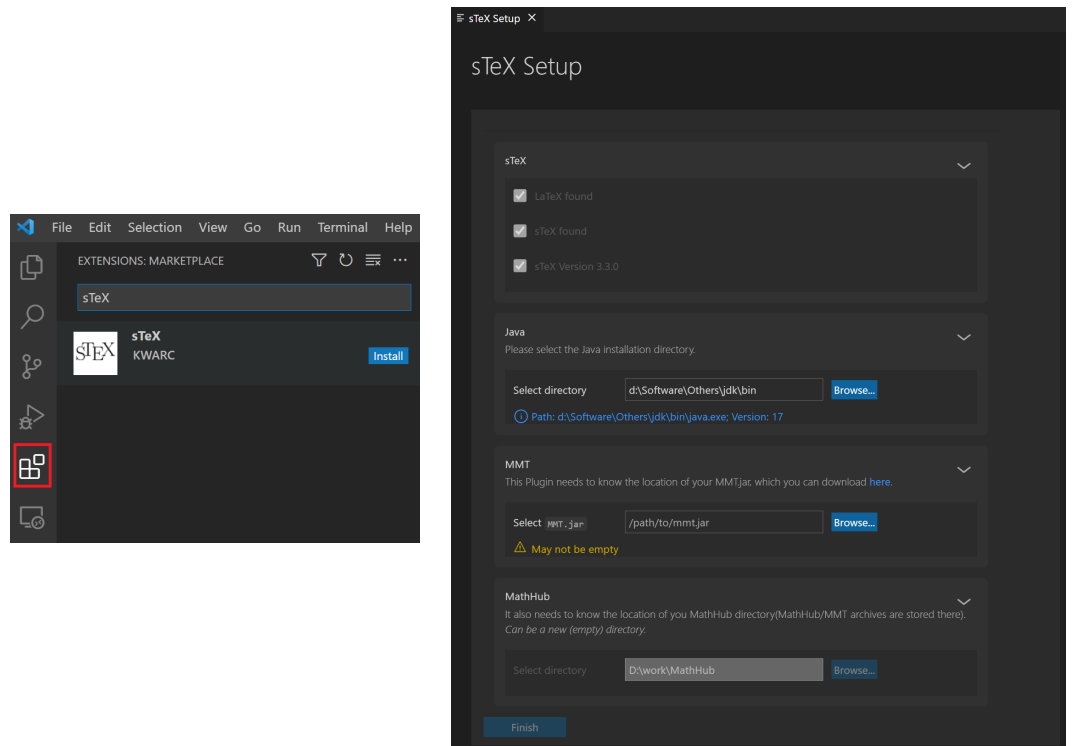
Setting up sTeX with the dedicated IDE is easy:

1. Download and install VS Code here: <https://code.visualstudio.com/download>
2. Start VS Code and navigate to the *Extensions*-tab on the left. Here you can search for Extensions in the VS Code marketplace. Look for the sTeX extension by KWARC, as in [Figure 1.1](#) on the left.
3. Having done so, upon opening any folder in VS Code containing a `.tex`-file the setup window will pop up, as in [Figure 1.1](#) on the right.

The IDE will attempt to determine your Java installation and your MathHub directory (if set via an environment variable). Alternatively, you can set the latter now.

4. Download the MMT `.jar`-file at the link provided in the setup and select it. The IDE should then be able to determine your MMT version.

And that's it. Click on *Finish* and your setup is finished. The extension will start and download RuS_TE_X and some fundamental *math archives* for you automatically (an internet connection is required when finishing the setup).

Figure 1.1: Installing the $sTeX$ IDE

Part I
The Basics

This document itself uses \LaTeX and serves as a direct example for the following. You can download its source files, the generated PDF files, and the generated HTML documents directly from within the IDE, by navigating to the \LaTeX tab in the menu on the left and finding `sTeX/Documentation` in the list of [math archives](#) and clicking the small “Install”-button next to it, see the screenshot on the left of [Figure 1.2](#).

Once downloading is finished (this may take a while since dependencies are also downloaded), you can then browse the `.tex`-files in `sTeX/Documentation` directly from the [math archives](#) panel in the \LaTeX tab, as you can see in the right screenshot in [Figure 1.2](#).

For example, you can now navigate to the file `tutorial/intro.en` to see the sources of this very part.

As a first example, consider the following document fragment from section 1.1 (What is \LaTeX ?) in the \LaTeX Documentation:

\LaTeX is a system for generating human-oriented documents in either PDF or HTML format, augmented with computer-actionable semantic information (conceptually based on the OMDoc format and ontology.

If you were to look at the generated HTML from this fragment, you could hover over the highlighted words (\LaTeX , PDF, HTML, OMDoc) and get a little popup with their definitions ([Figure 1.3](#)). Neat, huh?

Here, in the PDF, hovering will only show you a unique identifier (MMT-URI) for the word, and link to a definition on the web. Still useful, but not quite as neat, of course.

A plain \LaTeX -version of the above document fragment, without any \LaTeX markup, could look like this:

Example 1

Input:

```
File [sTeX/Documentation]tutorial/intro/intro1plain.en.tex
1 \documentclass{article}
2 \usepackage{stex-logo}
3 \begin{document}
4
5 \sTeX{} is a system for generating human-oriented documents
6 in either \textsf{PDF} or \textsf{HTML} format, augmented
7 with computer-actionable semantic information (conceptually)
8 based on the \textsc{OMDoc} format and ontology.
9
10 \end{document}
```

Output:

\LaTeX is a system for generating human-oriented documents in either PDF or HTML format, augmented with computer-actionable semantic information (conceptually) based on the OMDoc format and ontology.

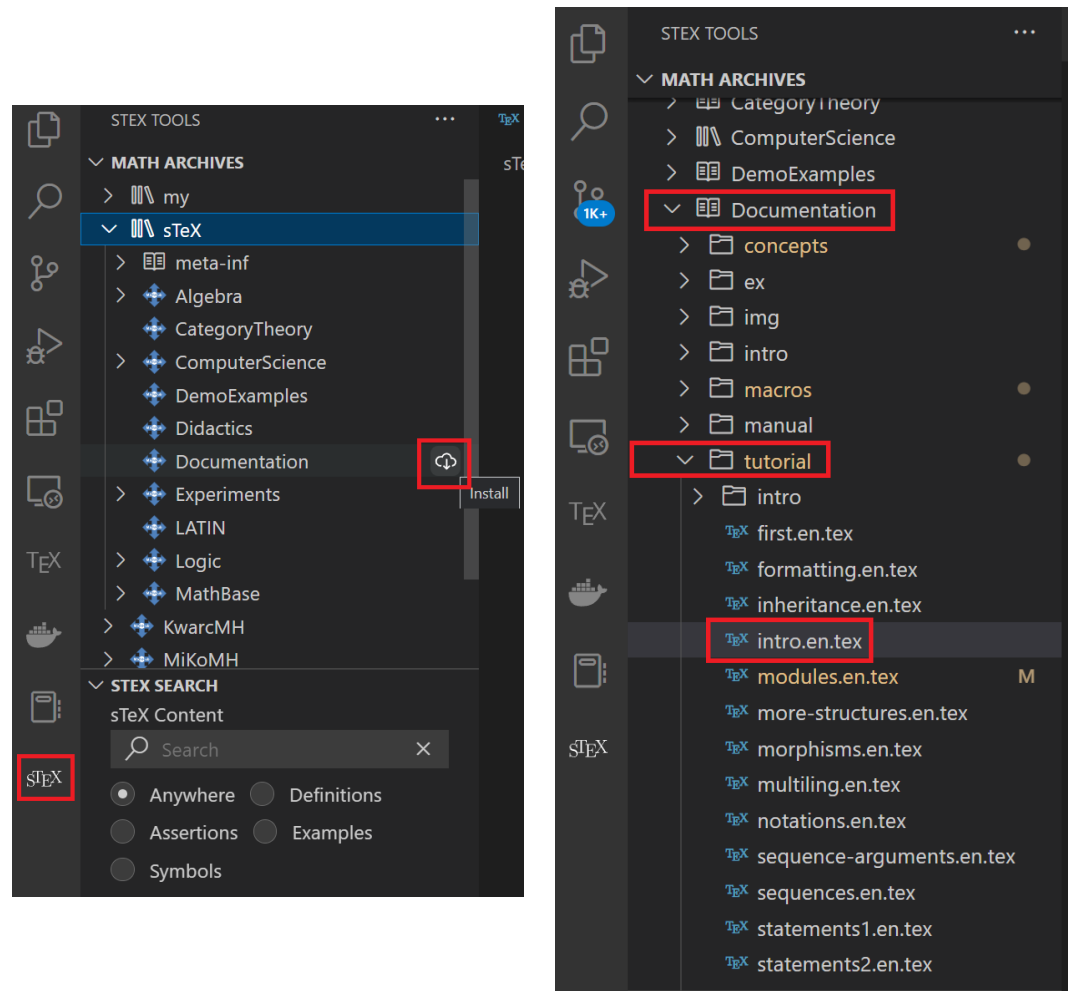


Figure 1.2: Installing Math Archives

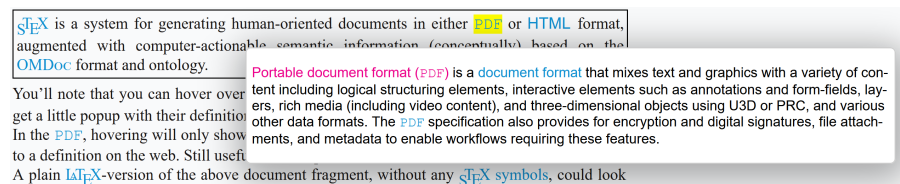


Figure 1.3: Definition on Hover

(Examples like the one above always show the file the source code is in, so if you have downloaded the `stex/Documentation` [math archive](#) you can toy around with it yourself)

If you save a file in the IDE (regardless of whether it has unsaved changes), a preview window will pop up, showing you the HTML generated from the `.tex`-file; see (Figure 1.4).

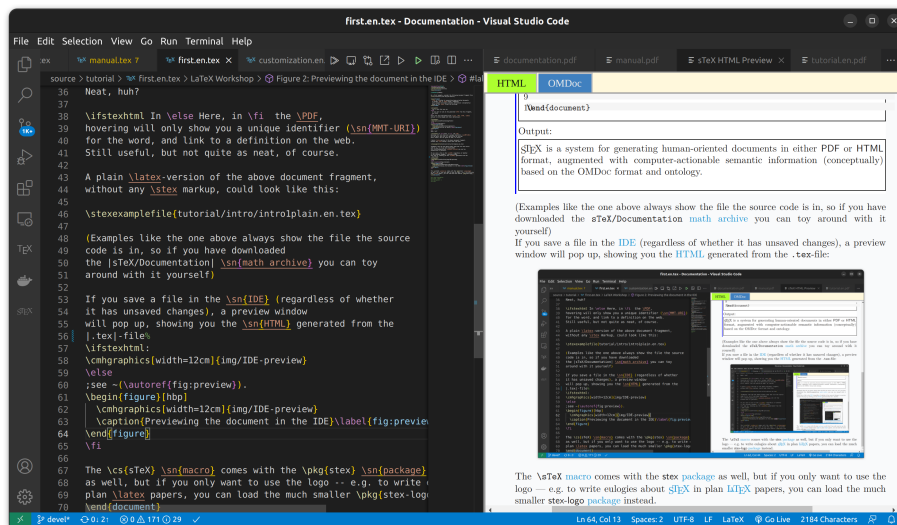


Figure 1.4: Previewing the document in the IDE

The `\stex` macro comes with the `stex` package as well, but if you only want to use the logo – e.g. to write eulogies about `stex` in plain `lATEX` papers, you can load the much smaller `stex-logo` package instead.

Chapter 2

Text symbols

The most central concept behind \sTeX is that of a *symbol*:

\sTeX

A **symbol** is a *named* concept that can be defined, documented and referenced. Examples for **symbols** are mathematical constants, functions, theorems, statements, principles – anything that has a (somewhat) precise meaning and can be referenced by name can be a **symbol**.

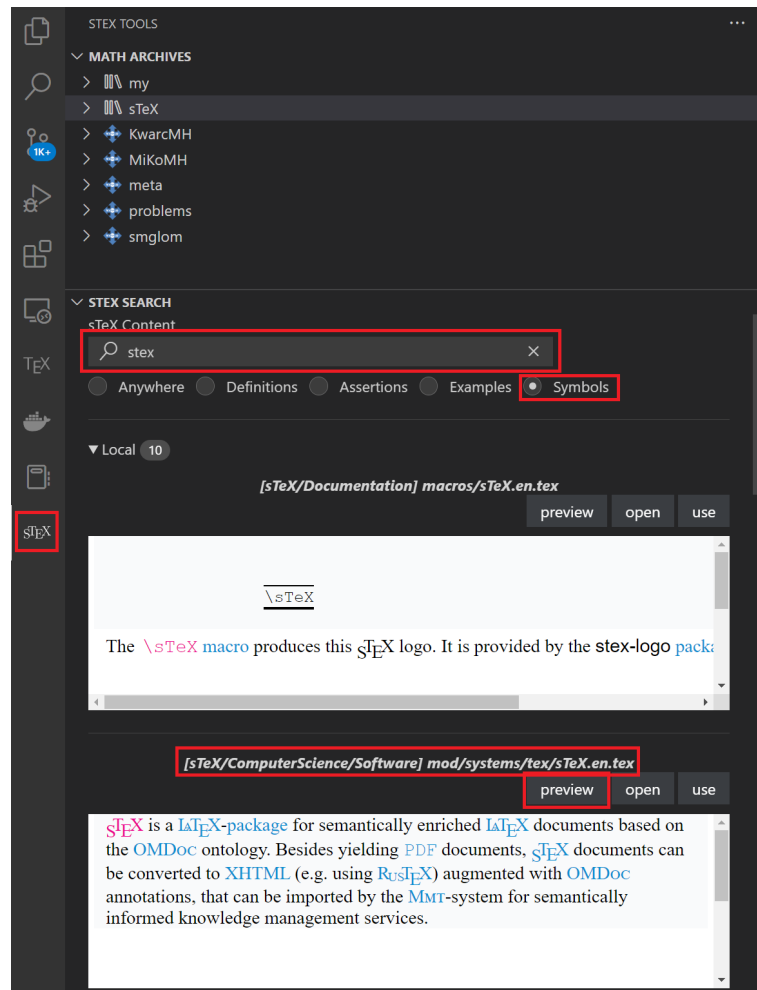
Before we explain how we can declare new **symbols** and associate them with definitions, **notations** and all that, let’s assume an ideal world in which others have done that job already for us – after all, \sTeX is all about *reuse*, and naturally, there are \sTeX **symbols** for all of the above already. Let’s start with the one for \sTeX itself:

2.1 Using Modules & Search in the IDE

In the **VS Code IDE**, navigate to the \sTeX -tab on the left. In the search panel, select the “**Symbols**” radio button and search for “**sTeX**”. The second search result should be what we’re looking for (**Figure 2.1**).

Search results are grouped into *local* and *remote* results. Local ones are the ones you already have in your local **MathHub** directory; remote ones you can download directly from within the **IDE**.

You can click the preview button to see the generated **HTML** for the document – the resulting window that pops up also has an **OMDoc** tab you can select, which (among other things) shows you the **semantic macros** provided by the respective **module**: In this case, it tells us that there is a *text symbol* named “**sTeX**” with **semantic macro** `\stex` in the **module** `mod/systems/tex?sTeX` that is in the `\sTeX/ComputerScience/Software` archive. It produces the presentation “ \sTeX ” as we want (**Figure 2.2**).

Figure 2.1: Search in the $\mathcal{S}TeX$ IDE

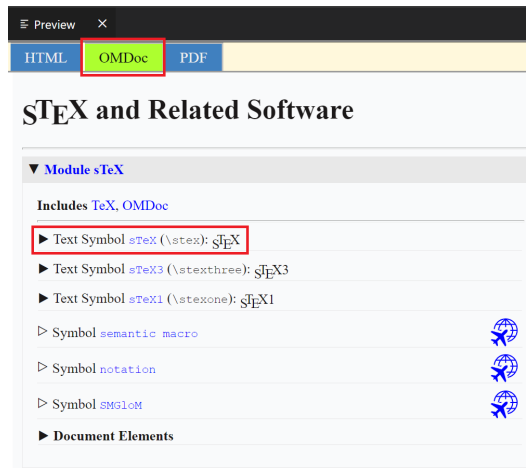


Figure 2.2: OMDoc Preview

S
T
E
X
 A **text symbol** is a **symbol** `foo` with an associated **semantic macro** `\foo`. The **macro** `\foo` is allowed in text or math mode and produces a predefined piece of text output annotated with `foo`.
 The variant `\fooname` produces the same output without annotation.

If we want to use the **sTeX** symbol in a document – which we have open in the *IDE* – we simply click on the **use** button, and the *IDE* will automatically insert the line `\usemodule[sTeX/ComputerScience/Software]{mod/systems/tex?sTeX}`, making all **symbols** in that **module** available to use – in particular, we can now use the `\stex` **semantic macro** instead of the plain, non-semantic `\sTeX` **macro** – that is, of course, after we include the **stex** **package** first.

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X
 The `\usemodule` **macro** takes as *optional* argument the name of a **math archive**, and as a regular argument the path to an **sTeX** **module** (see section 7.5 (Simple Inheritance) in the **sTeX** Documentation).

Analogously, we can also search for the **PDF**, **HTML** and **OMDoc** symbols, all of which are also **text symbols** and have the associated **semantic macros** `\PDF`, `\HTML` and `\omdoc`; the document should thus look like this:

Example 2

Input:

```

File [sTeX/Documentation]tutorial/intro/intro1stex.en.tex
1 \documentclass{article}
2 \usepackage{stex}
3 \begin{document}
4   \usemodule[sTeX/ComputerScience/Software]{mod/systems/tex?sTeX}
5   \usemodule[sTeX/ComputerScience/Software]{mod/formats?PDF}
6   \usemodule[sTeX/ComputerScience/Software]{mod/formats?HTML}
7   \usemodule[sTeX/ComputerScience/Software]{mod/formats?OMDoc}
8
9   \stex is a system for generating human-oriented documents
10  in either \PDF or \HTML format, augmented
11  with computer-actionable semantic information (conceptually)
12  based on the \omdoc format and ontology.
13 \end{document}

```

Output:

```

sTeX is a system for generating human-oriented documents in either PDF or HTML
format, augmented with computer-actionable semantic information (conceptually) based
on the OMDoc format and ontology.

```

Now, our generated [HTML](#) looks a lot more interesting, with highlighting, pop-ups on hover and all that. Notably however, if we compile the file with `pdflatex`, it looks pretty much exactly as before – except for (optional/configurable) colors.

That’s because we haven’t told `sTeX` what to do with semantic annotations yet – and by default, it does not do anything fancy, except for wrapping them in an `\emph`. We can customize how we want `sTeX` to highlight various semantic text fragments (see chapter 9 (User Manual) in the `sTeX` Documentation). A default highlighting schema is provided in the `stex-highlighting` package – including that will

- highlight semantically annotated text in [this color](#),
- show the [MMT-URI](#) of the corresponding [symbol](#) in a tooltip on hovering over the text,
- make the text link to the place the [symbol](#) is being defined in the current document (if it is), or, alternatively,
- make it link to an external resource, if one is known. In our case, they link to stexmmt.mathhub.info/:sTeX, where the [HTML](#) for all the [symbols](#) we use in this document are hosted.

Note that in the `IDE`, the `\usemodule`-statement for `OMDoc` is underlined in blue ([Figure 2.3](#)) – `VS Code` is letting us know, that this `\usemodule` statement is *redundant*. That is because the `sTeX` module we imported earlier already imports the `OMDoc` module; as such we have all `macros` therein available already. If we look at the `sTeX` module in the `VS Code` preview window again, we can see that ([Figure 2.4](#)).

We can consequently safely delete the `\usemodule` again.

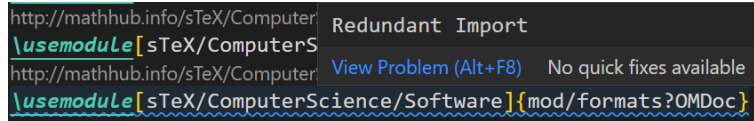


Figure 2.3: Redundant Imports

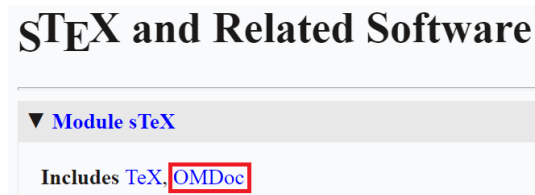


Figure 2.4: Includes in the [OMDoc](#) Preview

Chapter 3

Symbol References

Let's continue with the next paragraph of section 1.1 (What is [sTeX](#)?) in the [sTeX Documentation](#); for now unannotated:

Example 3

Input:

```
File [sTeX/Documentation]tutorial/intro/intro2plain.en.tex
1 \documentclass{article}
2 \usepackage{stex}
3 \begin{document}
4
5 At its core is the \sTeX{} package for \LaTeX, that allows for
6 semantically marking up document fragments; in particular
7 concepts, formulae and mathematical statements (such as
8 definitions, theorems and proofs). Running \texttt{pdflatex}
9 over \sTeX-annotated documents formats them into normal-looking
10 \textsf{PDF}.
11
12 \end{document}
```

Output:

At its core is the [sTeX](#) package for [L^ATeX](#), that allows for semantically marking up document fragments; in particular concepts, formulae and mathematical statements (such as definitions, theorems and proofs). Running `pdflatex` over [sTeX](#)-annotated documents formats them into normal-looking PDF.

We already know how to annotate “[sTeX](#)” and “[PDF](#)”; and if we use the search field in the [IDE](#) again, we can also find a [text symbol](#) for “[L^ATeX](#)”. But if we look at the documentation, we will note that *more* is highlighted:

At its core is the [sTeX](#) package for [L^ATeX](#), that allows for semantically marking up

document fragments; in particular concepts, `formulae` and `mathematical` statements (such as definitions, theorems and proofs). Running `pdflatex` over `STEX`-annotated documents formats them into normal-looking PDF.

The “`package`”-symbol can be found in the `LATEX` module too, and searching for the keywords “formula” and “mathematics” will yield the symbols “`well-formed formula`” and “`mathematics`”, but they are not *text symbols* and “`mathematics`” and “`package`” do not even have a *semantic macro* – and the one for “`well-formed formula`” would not work outside of math mode.

Text symbols are special in that way – they are intended for *symbols* that have a specific formatting associated (such as `LATEX`, `OMDOC`, or `HTML`, which we prefer to typeset as sans serif). For those settings, it makes sense to associate that formatting with a *semantic macro* that does the typesetting for us.

Symbols without a text macro can be referenced with the `\symname` macro: `\symname{package}` prints the *name* of the “`package`”-symbol and annotates it accordingly, without any special formatting – in particular it is compatible with being in `\emph`, `\textbf` and similar *macros*. That takes care of *one* of the missing annotations.

More generally, the `\symref` macro can be used to annotate arbitrary text with a *symbol*: `\symref{mathematics}{mathematical}` associates the text `mathematical` with the *symbol* “`mathematics`”; thus, we get “`mathematical`” and similarly “`formulae`”.

In general, any *macro* that expects a *symbol* name can be given either

1. the *name* of the *symbol*,
2. the name of its *semantic macro*,
3. or any suffix of its `MMT-URI` containing at least the *module* name.

`STEX` The second option is often short – and therefore convenient to write; for example, to achieve “`formulae`”, we can also write `\symref{wff}{formulae}`, since `wff` is the *semantic macro* for “`well-formed formula`”.

The third option allows for distinguishing between multiple *symbols* with the same name – the `IDE` can help in the latter case, by underlining ambiguous *symbol* references in yellow, and offering the `Quick Fix` functionality to let you select and autocomplete the specific *symbol* you want to reference.

Since `\symname` and `\symref` are a lot to type for something that should ideally be used as often as possible, the *macros* `\sn` and `\sr` exist as well and behave exactly the same way. We also provide some convenience abbreviations for `\sn`; namely `\Sn` (capitalizes the first letter of the *symbol* name), `\sns` (adds an “`s`” at the end, for the most common pluralization of a name), and `\Sns` (both).

Using all of the above, our annotated fragment now looks like this:

Example 4

Input:

```

File [sTeX/Documentation]tutorial/intro/intro2stex.en.tex
5 \usemodule[sTeX/ComputerScience/Software]{mod/systems/tex?sTeX}
6 \usemodule[sTeX/Logic/General]{mod/syntax?Formula}
7 \usemodule[sTeX/MathBase/General]{mod?Mathematics}
8 \usemodule[sTeX/ComputerScience/Software]{mod/formats?PDF}
9
10 At its core is the \stex \sn{package} for \latex, that allows for
11 semantically marking up document fragments; in particular
12 concepts, \sr{wff}{formulae} and \sr{mathematics}{mathematical}
13 statements (such as definitions, theorems and proofs). Running
14 \texttt{pdflatex} over \stex-annotated documents formats them
15 into normal-looking \PDF.

```

Output:

```

At its core is the sTeX package for LATEX, that allows for semantically marking up
document fragments; in particular concepts, formulae and mathematical statements
(such as definitions, theorems and proofs). Running pdflatex over sTeX-annotated
documents formats them into normal-looking PDF.

```

There's only one problem: *the document does not compile*, with an error **Undefined control sequence**. The reason being that *some macro* in the **module** `Formula` uses the `\text` macro. We can fix that by using the `amsfonts` package of course, but this points to a more general problem; namely that **modules** can make use of various **L^AT_EX** packages for typesetting **symbols**.

Good practice suggests putting those packages into a *prelude* per **math archive**, which we can then import from anywhere, using the `\libinput` macro. For more on that, see section 5.3 (The `lib`-Directory) in the **sTeX** Documentation.

For now, suffice it to say that we can import all **packages** required for the **module** `Formula` from the **math archive** `sTeX/Logic/General` by adding the line

```
\libinput[sTeX/Logic/General]{preamble}
```

before the `\begin{document}`.

Chapter 4

Modules and Simple Symbol Declarations

Consider again the first two paragraphs of section 1.1 (What is `sTeX`?) in the `sTeX` Documentation:

`sTeX` is a system for generating human-oriented documents in either `PDF` or `HTML` format, augmented with computer-actionable semantic information (conceptually based on the `OMDoc` format and ontology).

At its core is the `sTeX` package for `LATEX`, that allows for semantically marking up document fragments; in particular concepts, `formulae` and `mathematical` statements (such as definitions, theorems and proofs). Running `pdflatex` over `sTeX`-annotated documents formats them into normal-looking `PDF`.

Firstly, note that the first paragraph would be perfectly suitable to serve as a pop-up definition on hover for the `sTeX` symbol. Secondly, what if all the `symbols` used in the above *didn't* already exist?

In this chapter, we will describe how to make your own `symbols` and collect them as reusable fragments in `modules` and `math archives` from scratch.

We start by creating a new `math archive`. In the `IDE`, switch to the `sTeX`-tab on the left and click the “New sTeX Archive” button (Figure 4.1). You will then be asked for the name of the `archive`, a `namespace` for its content, and a `url-base`, where the content is supposedly going to end up online. You can safely keep the defaults for the latter two. In the following, we assume that your archive is named `my/archive`.

The `IDE` will then create the following files and directories in your MathHub directory:

```
- my
  - archive
    - lib
      - preamble.tex
      - META-INF
      - MANIFEST.MF
```

```
- source
- helloworld.tex
```

... and open the file `helloworld.tex` with the content

```
1 \documentclass{stex}
2 \libinput{preamble}
3 \begin{document}
4 % A first sTeX document
5 \end{document}
```

You can now reference any newly created content in you new `archive` using for example `\usemodule[my/archive]{...}`.

Let's start with the “`LATEX`” `symbol`. Rename the file `helloworld.tex` to something more meaningful, for example `latex.en.tex` – the `.en` will be picked up on by `STEX` to signify that the fragment will be in *english* (see subsection 7.1.1 (Signature `Modules`, `Languages`, and `Multilinguality`) in the `STEX` Documentation).

What we want to achieve in this file is the following:

T_EX is a document typesetting software developed by Donald Knuth, with a focus on mathematical formulae. It is based on a powerful and extensible **macro** expansion engine.

L^AT_EX is a (nowadays) default collection of **T_EX** **macros** developed by Leslie Lamport. Among other things, **L^AT_EX** introduces **environments**, a distinction between preamble and document content, **packages** to bundle and distribute **macro** definitions, and **document classes**: special **packages** that govern the global layout of a document.

In particular, in the `HTML` the two paragraphs above should be shown when hovering over the `symbols` they define (as indicated by the magenta definiendum highlighting). So we need `symbols` and `semantic macros`, for: `TEX`, `macro`, `LATEX`, `environment`, `package` and `document class`.

`Symbol` declarations are only allowed within `modules`:

S_TE_X A **module** is a *named* block that bundles `symbol` declarations for subsequent reuse. A **module** is introduced with the `smodule`-environment.

Let's name our `module` `LaTeX`. We then wrap the contents of our document in a `smodule` environment:

```
\begin{document}
\begin{smodule}{LaTeX}
...
\end{smodule}
\end{document}
```

Note, that the `IDE` immediately picks up on this and displays the full `MMT-URI` of our new `module` over the `\begin{smodule}{LaTeX}` (Figure 4.2) –

From this, we can glimpse that the `namespace` of the `module` is `http://mathhub.info/my/archive/latex`. This implies, that to use the `module` somewhere else, we will have to type `\usemodule[my/archive]{latex?LaTeX}` – the `latex`-part pointing to the `file` and `LaTeX` referring to the actual `module`.

If we rename the file to `LaTeX.en.tex`, we notice that the `namespace` changes to `http://mathhub.info/my/archive`, allowing us to now use it with `\usemodule[my/archive]{LaTeX}` directly. That’s because the `module` name `LaTeX` and the file name `LaTeX` match now (see section 7.5 (Simple Inheritance) in the `sTeX` Documentation, [Figure 4.3](#)).



Note that “`LaTeX`” and “`latex`” only differ in capitalization – if your file system is case-insensitive (as e.g. MacOS’s was until quite recently), this distinction gets murky, but remains very important especially if you want to share your `math archive` with others!
It is therefore *highly recommended* to treat file names as case-sensitive either way.

Within the `module`, we can now declare new `symbols` using the `\symdecl`-macro. We start with those that are not `text symbols`:

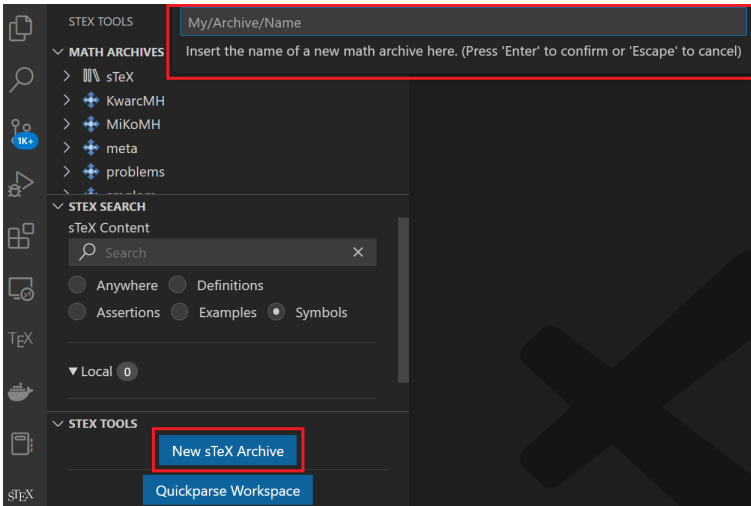
```
\symdecl*{macro}
\symdecl*{environment}
\symdecl*{package}
\symdecl*{document class}
```

The `*` after the `\symdecl` indicates, that we do not want a `semantic macro` for the `symbol` – otherwise, it would generate one with the same name as the `symbol` itself and “pollute the `macro` space”, so to speak.

The `symbols` `TEX` and `LATEX`, however, have a definite way of being typeset associated with them, which can be produced using the standard `\TeX` and `\LaTeX` `macros`. So let’s make them `text symbols`, using the `\textsymdecl` macro:

```
\textsymdecl{tex}{\TeX}
\textsymdecl{latex}{\LaTeX}
```

The first argument being the name of the generated `macro` (i.e. `\tex` and `\latex`) and the second one specifying the output to produce.

Figure 4.1: New *Math Archive* in the IDE

```
http://mathhub.info/my/archive/latex?LaTeX
\underline{\begin{smodule}}{LaTeX}
```

Figure 4.2: VS Code Code Lense

```
http://mathhub.info/my/archive?LaTeX
\underline{\begin{smodule}}{LaTeX}
```

Figure 4.3: VS Code Code Lense

Chapter 5

Documenting Symbols

We can now use the two new macros, `\symname/\sn`, `\symref/\sr` etc. to mark up the above two paragraphs. But the IDE also makes us aware of the symbols not yet being documented, via squiggly blue lines (Figure 5.1).

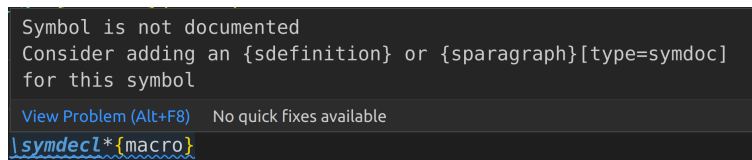


Figure 5.1: Undocumented Symbols

Among other things, this means that the system does not yet know what to show a reader when hovering over the symbol in the HTML. The IDE also recommends two ways to fix that: The `sdefinition` or `sparagraph` environments.

Ignoring the former for now, which is more useful for mathematical concepts, we can use the following to mark up the first paragraph:

```
\begin{sparagraph}[style=symdoc,for={tex,macro}]
  \tex is a document typesetting
  software developed by Donald Knuth, with a focus on
  mathematical formulae. It is based on a powerful
  and extensible \sn{macro} expansion engine.
\end{sparagraph}
```

In general, the `sparagraph` environment can be used to mark up arbitrary paragraphs semantically, but the `style=symdoc` option tells `STEX` to use this paragraph as a documentation for the symbols provided in the `for=` option. And indeed, doing so makes the squiggly blue lines in the IDE under `\textsymdecl{tex}{TeX}` and `\symdecl*{macro}` disappear.

We just used the semantic macro `\stex` and the `\sn` macro to mark up the fragment – but we can do better. Both concepts are being *introduced* in the above paragraph, and we can let `STEX` know that that is the case:

Within an `sparagraph` environment with `style=symdoc` (or an `sdefinition` environment), we can mark up *definienda*, meaning the terms *being defined*, explicitly. Analogously to `\symname` and `\symref`, we have the macros `\definame` and `\definiendum` for that purpose.

Note that the `\tex macro` induced by the `text symbol` above already marks up the “`TEX`” it produces, so wrapping it in another `\definiendum` would be redundant. However, every `text symbol` also generates a *second macro* with the suffix `name` that generates a non-marked-up version of the same presentation. In other words, we get the `macro \texname` for free, that produces “`TEX`” (of course, we could just as well use the `\TeX macro`, but that one you probably know already).

Furthermore, every `\definiendum` or `\definame` automatically adds the `symbol` being referenced to the internal `for=`-list of the `sparagraph` environment, obviating the need to list it explicitly.

As such, we can produce a better markup like this:

```
\begin{sparagraph}[style=symdoc]
\definiendum{tex}{\texname} is a document typesetting
software developed by Donald Knuth, with a focus on
mathematical formulae. It is based on a powerful
and extensible \definame{macro} expansion engine.
\end{sparagraph}
```

Exercise

In your archive `my/archive`, create additional files that produce the following outputs:

Mathematics.en.tex

To do **mathematics** is to be, at once, touched by fire and bound by reason. This is no contradiction. Logic forms a narrow channel through which intuition flows with vastly augmented force.

– Jordan Ellenberg

PDF.en.tex

Portable Document Format (PDF) is a document format that mixes text and graphics with a variety of content.

HTML.en.tex

The **HyperText Markup Language (HTML)** is a representation format for web-pages.

OMDoc.en.tex

OMDoc is a document format for representing **mathematical** documents with their flexiformal semantics.

such that the following file compiles and shows the above snippets on hover:

```
sTeX.en.tex
```

```

1 \documentclass{stex}
2 \libinput{preamble}
3 \begin{document}
4 \begin{smodule}{sTeX}
5   \usemodule{OMDoc}
6   \usemodule{PDF}
7   \usemodule{HTML}
8   \textsymdecl{stex}{\sTeX}
9   \begin{sparagraph}[style=symdoc]
10    \definiendum{stex}{\stexname} is a system for generating
11    documents in either \PDF or \HTML format, augmented with
12    computer-actionable semantic information (conceptually)
13    based on the \OMDoc format and ontology.
14  \end{sparagraph}
15 \end{smodule}
16 \end{document}

```

sTeX is a system for generating documents in either **PDF** or **HTML** format, augmented with computer-actionable semantic information (conceptually) based on the **OMDoc** format and ontology.

The preamble of every file should only be

```
\documentclass{stex}
\libinput{preamble}
```

and the macros `\OMDoc`, `\PDF`, `\HTML` should produce `\textsc{OMDoc}`, `\textsf{PDF}` and `\textsf{HTML}`, respectively (but with semantic annotations of course).

Solution: Can be found in `[sTeX/Documentation]source/tutorial/solution`

Chapter 6

Sectioning and Reusing Document Fragments

We know now how to import and reuse the `symbols` of some `module` (using `\usemodule`). What about the actual document *content*?

Assume we want to write a new article that includes all of the fragments in `my/archive` we made so far, in a file `all.en.tex` in the same `math archive`:

```
1 \documentclass{article}
2 \usepackage{stex}
3 \libinput{preamble}
4 \begin{document}
5   \author{Me}
6   \title{The \texttt{my/archive} Archive}
7   \maketitle
8   \tableofcontents
9   ...
10 \end{document}
```

In there, we want sections as follows:

```
- 1 Preliminaries
  (Mathematics)
- 1.1 Document Formats
  (PDF)
  (HTML)
  (OMDoc)
- 2 \TeX and Friends
  (LaTeX)
  (sTeX)
```

We could of course do the following:

```
\section{Preliminaries}
\input{Mathematics.en}
\subsection{Document Formats}
\input{PDF.en}
```

```

\input{HTML.en}
\input{OMDoc.en}
\section{\TeX and Friends}
\input{LaTeX.en}
\input{sTeX.en}

```

...but this approach has two drawbacks:

Firstly, we need to manually keep track of the section levels, by explicitly writing `\section`, `\subsection` etc. This is fine as long as we are just interested in this particular article. But what if we want to *reuse* the article’s content in another document at some point? The section levels might be entirely different then – e.g. we might want the “Preliminaries” section to be a subsection instead.

Secondly, the `\input` macro considers the file name/path provided to be either *absolute* or relative to the *current tex file being compiled* – which means that the `\input{Mathematics.en}` only works for files in the same directory as `Mathematics.en.tex`.

In short: using `\section`, `\chapter` etc. explicitly, and `\input` to reuse fragments, breaks reusability.

Instead of using `\section` and `\subsection`, [L^AT_EX](#) therefore provides the `sfragment` environment.

`\begin{sfragment}{Foo}... \end{sfragment}` inserts a sectioning header depending on the current section level and availability. These are: `\part`, `\chapter`, `\section`, `\subsection`, `\subsubsection`, `\paragraph` and `\subparagraph`. This allows us to do the following instead:

```

\begin{sfragment}{Preliminaries}
\input{Mathematics.en}
\begin{sfragment}{Document Formats}
\input{PDF.en}
\input{HTML.en}
\input{OMDoc.en}
\end{sfragment}
\end{sfragment}
\begin{sfragment}{\TeX and Friends}
\input{LaTeX.en}
\input{sTeX.en}
\end{sfragment}

```

The only problem remaining now is that if we do this, [L^AT_EX](#) will insert a `\part` for the first `sfragment`. If we want the “top-level” sectioning level to be `\section` instead, we can insert a `\setsectionlevel{section}` in the preamble.

As a more reuse-friendly replacement of `\input`, [L^AT_EX](#) provides the `\inputref` macro. Using that has two advantages: Firstly, its argument is relative to some (optionally provided, or the current) [math archive](#) and is thus independent of the specific location of the file relative to the currently being compiled `.tex`-file. Secondly, when converting to [HTML](#), it will *not* “copy” the referenced file’s content in its entirety (as `\input` would), but instead dynamically insert the already existent (if so) [HTML](#) of the referenced file, avoiding content duplication and having to process the file all over again.

In general `\inputref[some/archive]{file/path}` inputs the file `file/path.tex` in the archive `some/archive`. As the `\input`-ed files in the example above are in the same archive anyway, we can simply substitute the `\inputs` by `\inputrefs` and call it a day.

Finally, we can make two more minor changes:

1. The *title* of our document is only supposed to be there, if we compile the document directly – if we were to `\inputref` our file into a “driver file” `all.en.tex`, the title and the table of contents should be omitted.

We can achieve this using the `\ifinputref` conditional: by wrapping the header in an `\ifinputref \else... \fi`, it will only be processed if the file is *not* being loaded using `\inputref`. `\ifinputref` is a “classic” `TEX` conditional and is treated as such in both `PDF` and `HTML` compilation. A smarter macro to use is `\IfInputref`, which takes two arguments for the *true* and *false* cases, respectively. Additionally, when compiling to `HTML`, *both* arguments to `\IfInputref` will be processed, and the backend will decide which of the two to present when serving a document.

2. The table of contents should also be omitted in `HTML` mode. To achieve that, we can use the `\ifstexhtml` conditional, which is *true* if the document is being compiled to `HTML`, and *false* if compiled to `PDF`.



Note, that since *both* arguments of `\IfInputref` are processed, they should *not* open `TEX` groups or *environments*!

In summary, we can modify our document to do the following:

```
\IfInputref(){
  \author{Me}
  \title{The \texttt{my/archive} Archive}
  \maketitle
  \ifstexhtml \else \tableofcontents \fi
}
```

The final `all.en.tex` can be found in `[sTeX/Documentation]tutorial/solution/all.en.tex`.

Chapter 7

Building and Exporting HTML

So far we know how to write `STeX` documents, (we assume) how to build `PDF` files from them (via `pdflatex` of course), and on saving documents the `IDE` will preview the generated `HTML`. But if we do that with our new `all.en.tex`, we get presented with [Figure 7.1](#) Where did all of our fragments go?



Figure 7.1: Missing Fragments in the `HTML` Preview

Well, they don't exist yet as `HTML`. The `HTML` Preview window in the `IDE` is really just that: A *preview*. But when using `\inputref`, it has to find the `HTML` of the `\inputrefed` fragment *somewhere*. Meaning: we have to compile all of the fragments we used to `HTML` first. Individually, we can compile the currently open file in `VS Code` using the button in [Figure 7.2](#).

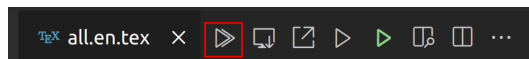


Figure 7.2: The Build `PDF/XHTML/OMDoc` Button

This will do the following:

1. Run `pdflatex` over the file three times.

2. Store the resulting `.pdf` in `[archive]/export/pdf/<filepath>.pdf`.
3. Convert the file to *HTML* and store it in `[archive]/xhtml/<filepath>.xhtml`.
4. Extract all the semantics and store them as *OMDoc* in `[archive]/content/...`, `[archive]/narration/...` and `[archive]/relational/...`
5. Construct a search index in `[archive]/export/lucene/...`

Doing all of this for every individual file *in hindsight* would of course be a huge hassle. We can therefore just compile the full *archive*, folders in an *archive*, or whole *groups* of *archives* via right-clicking an element in the Math Archives viewer in the \LaTeX tab (Figure 7.3).

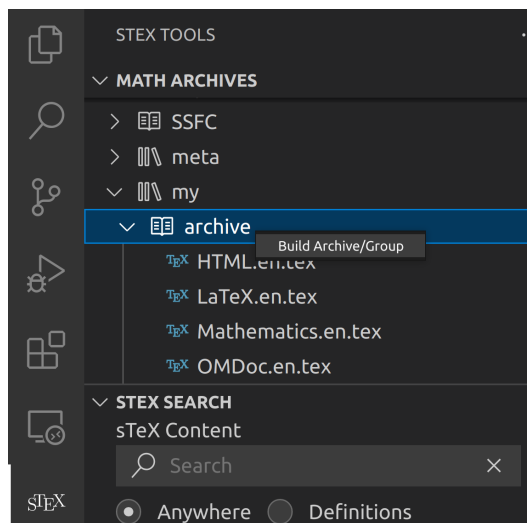


Figure 7.3: Building Archives in the IDE

Once that's done, saving `all.en.tex` again yields the correct *HTML* in the preview window.

At this point, it should be noted that you can't actually just open the *HTML* files exported to `[archive]/xhtml` in your browser and get all of the expected functionality – that shouldn't be too surprising. Features like the fancy pop-up windows require a semantically informed backend infrastructure, in the form of the *MMT* system. However, *MMT* can dump a standalone version for you. Let's do that now:

With our `all.en.tex` file open and everything built as above, click the `Export Standalone HTML` button in the IDE (see Figure 7.4).

In the dialog box that opens now, select an **empty** directory and *MMT* will dump a standalone version of our `all.en.tex` document there. You will still not be able to open it in the browser directly, because most browser forbid javascript modules on the



Figure 7.4: Exporting [HTML](#) in the [IDE](#)

`file://` protocol, but opening the file via `http` will yield the desired result, and you can now upload the directory's content to wherever you might want to use it.

If you want to test this, a quick and easy way to do so is to use [VS Code](#): You can install the [Live Server](#) extension, open the directory and click the [Go Live](#) button on the lower right of the window, which will start a small web-server in the selected directory and open its `index.html` in the browser for you.

Part II

Mathematical Concepts

So far, we have seen how to declare and reference [symbols](#) generate [semantic macros](#) for [text symbols](#), collect them in [modules](#) and document them properly.

But where [S_TE_X](#) really shines is when it comes to mathematics and related subject areas: [semantic macros](#) are significantly more useful when used for generating symbolic [notations](#) in math mode, and by associating [symbols](#) with (flexi-)formal semantics, [S_TE_X](#) can even *check* that your content is (to some degree) formally correct, or at least well-formed.

Alos [S_TE_X](#) provides specialized functionality for mathematical [statements](#): the text fragments marked as Definition, Theorem, Proof that are iconic to mathematical documents.

The example snippets in this part can be found in the [math archive s_Te_X/MathTutorial](#). If you downloaded the [s_Te_X/Documentation archive](#) in the [S_TE_X IDE](#), you already have that [archive](#). If not, you can download it from within the [IDE](#), as described in [Part I](#).

Chapter 8

Simple Symbol Declarations

We will start with `symbols` and `semantic macros` for mathematical concepts and objects and their contribution to mathematical formulae.

8.1 Semantic Macros and Notations

Let us start with a very fundamental concept; namely `equality`. As you should by now know, declaring a new `symbol` requires a `module`, so let's open a new one and use `\symdecl`:

```
\begin{smodule}{Equality}
  \symdecl{equal}
\end{smodule}
```

As mentioned in [chapter 4](#), the starred variant `\symdecl*` does not create a `semantic macro`, so presumably, the variant without a `*` *does*. And indeed, we now have a macro `\equal`, which however will produce errors if we try to use it. That's because we haven't told `STEX` what to do with it yet.

STEX

A **semantic macro** is a `LaTeX`-macro that allows for referencing a `symbol` itself, or – in the case of e.g. a function – the *application* of a `symbol` to (one or multiple) *arguments*; primarily by invoking a `symbol`'s *notation* in *math mode*.

The command `\symdecl{macroname}` declares a new `symbol` with name `macroname` and a `semantic macro` `\macroname`. In the case where we want the name and the `semantic macro` to be distinct, the command `\symdecl{macroname}[name=some name]` declares the name of the `symbol` to be `some name` instead.

The starred variant `\symdecl*{name}` declares the concept with the given name, but does not generate a `semantic macro`.

So let's provide equality with a `notation`. As a first step, we should let `STEX` know that “`equal`” takes two arguments. We might also want to shorten the `semantic macro` to e.g. `\eq`, without changing the name. Hence:

```
\symdecl{eq}[name=equal, args=2]
```

Next, we add an infix notation with the `\notation` macro:

```
\notation{eq}{#1 = #2}
```

That seems like a lot to write, so for the very common case where we want to declare a *symbol* with a *semantic macro* and a *notation* all at once, the `\symdef` macro does all three by combining the optional and mandatory argument of `\symdecl` and `\notation`:

```
\symdef{eq}[name=equal, args=2]{#1 = #2}
```

and indeed, we can now use the `\eq` macro in math mode to invoke our new *notation*: `\eq{a}{b}` now yields $a = b$ – notably without any highlighting (and hover interaction in the *HTML*) though. Since our *semantic macro* takes *arguments*, which should be differently highlighted, we need to let our *notation* know which parts of the *notation* are highlightable components.

We can do so with the `\comp` and `\maincomp` macros:

The `\comp`-macro marks components to be highlighted in a *notation* for a *symbol* taking (one or more) arguments. This is necessary because it is (nearly) impossible for L^AT_EX to figure out, which parts of a *notation* to highlight and which not on its own – in particular, the highlighting should stop for the *arguments* of a *semantic macro*. Additionally, the `\maincomp` macro can be used to mark (at most) one *notation* component to represent the *primary* component of the *notation*. *Notations* that do not take arguments, as well as *operator notations*, are automatically wrapped in `\maincomp`.

In our case, this applies only to the “=”, symbol, so:

```
\symdef{eq}[name=equal, args=2]{#1 \mathrel{\maincomp{=}} #2}
```

You may be wondering about the role of the `\mathrel` macro in the example above: T_EX determines spacing/kerning in math mode by assigning a *class* to every character. Both individual characters and whole subexpressions can be assigned one of these classes using dedicated macros. These are:

class	T _E X macro	examples
ordinary (default class)	<code>\mathord</code>	$\alpha i \diamond$
large operator	<code>\mathop</code>	$\sum \prod f$
opening	<code>\mathopen</code>	$([\langle$
closing	<code>\mathclose</code>	$] \rangle$
binary relation	<code>\mathrel</code>	$\leq > =$
binary operator	<code>\mathbin</code>	$+ \cdot \circ$
punctuation	<code>\mathpunct</code>	$, ;$



T_EX “forgets” the class of an expression if it is wrapped in a `\comp` macro. It is therefore a good idea to wrap any occurrence of a `\comp` in the corresponding T_EX macro for the desired class (e.g. `\mathrel{\comp{\leq}}`).

Having done so, we can now type $\backslash\text{eq}\{a\}\{b\}$ to get $a = b$. Thanks to using $\backslash\text{maincomp}$, we now also have an [operator notation](#), which we can invoke using $\backslash\text{eq}!$, yielding $=$.

What if we want to add more [notations](#)? Say we want to be able to invoke [equality](#) to get the variant notation $a \equiv b$ (without changing the intended meaning). If we want to be able to choose one of several [notations](#), we should give the [notation](#) an *identifier*.

Let's again modify our earlier [notation](#) by adding the identifier `eq` to the optional arguments of $\backslash\text{symdef}$, like so:

```
 $\backslash\text{symdef}\{eq\}[name=equal,args=2,eq]\{#1 \mathrel{\backslash\text{maincomp}\{=\}}\} \{#2\}$ 
```

We can now invoke the specific [notation](#) provided here by writing $\backslash\text{eq}[eq]\{a\}\{b\}$ to the same effect. But we can also add more [notations](#) using the $\backslash\text{notation}$ macro:

```
 $\backslash\text{notation}\{eq\}[equiv]\{#1 \mathrel{\backslash\text{maincomp}\{equiv}\}\} \{#2\}$ 
```

which we can now invoke with $\backslash\text{eq}[equiv]\{a\}\{b\}$, yielding $a \equiv b$.

By default, the *first* [notation](#) provided for a given [symbol](#) is considered the *default notation*, which is invoked if the [semantic macro](#) is used without an optional argument – hence, $\backslash\text{eq}\{a\}\{b\}$ still yields $a = b$.

If we use the starred variant of the $\backslash\text{notation}$ macro, the [notation](#) is set as the new default. Hence, had we done

```
 $\backslash\text{notation}*\{eq\}[equiv]\{#1 \mathrel{\backslash\text{maincomp}\{equiv}\}\} \{#2\}$ 
```

then $\backslash\text{eq}\{a\}\{b\}$ would now yield $a \equiv b$.

Any already existing notation can be set as default using the $\backslash\text{setnotation}$ macro; e.g. instead of using $\backslash\text{notation}*$, we could also do

```
 $\backslash\text{notation}\{eq\}[equiv]\{#1 \mathrel{\backslash\text{maincomp}\{equiv}\}\} \{#2\}$   
 $\backslash\text{setnotation}\{eq\}\{equiv\}$ 
```

Exercise

Implement the [symbol](#) “equal” as above in a new [module](#) “Equality” and add a documentation such that hovering over the [symbol](#) in the [HTML](#) yields the following snippet:

Two objects a, b are considered **equal** (written $a = b$ or $a \equiv b$), if there is no property that distinguishes them.

Solution: Can be found in `[sTeX/MathTutorial]/mod/Equality1.en.tex`

8.2 Types and Variables

You might have noticed – after you save the file – that the expressions $\backslash\text{eq}\{a\}\{b\}$ and $\backslash\text{eq}[equiv]\{a\}\{b\}$ are underlined in yellow in the [IDE](#) and have a warning attached to them ([Figure 8.1](#)). If we click on the `Invalid Unit` link in the error message, we get a somewhat cryptic stacktrace-like window ([Figure 8.2](#)). The reason being, that [MMT](#) actually tries to formally verify *everything we write using semantic macros!* It does so,

```

 $\eq{a}{b}$  or  $\eq[equiv]{a}{b}$ ,
\eqab
invalid unit:
http://mathhub.info/sTeX/MathTutorial/mod/Equality1/Equality1?term 1?definition: Judgment |-- (implicit bind
[a:/I/1, b:(/I/2 a)] (apply (apply equal a) b)) ::
/omitted_type (Invalid Unit)
View Problem (Alt+F8) No quick fixes available

```

Figure 8.1: Type Checking Warning

<http://mathhub.info/sTeX/MathTutorial/mod/Equality1/Equality1?term 1?definition>

- Judgment $\{ \} \vdash \{ a: /I/1, b: /I/2 (a) \}_I a=b :: /omitted_type$
 - trying typing rules
 - trying to simplify /omitted_type
 - no rule applicable
 - trying inference/typing rules
 - inferring type
 - inferring type of $\{ a: /I/1, b: /I/2 (a) \}_I a=b$
 - applying inference rule rule LambdaLikeRule\$LambdaTypingRule for implicit bind
 - Judgment $\{ \} \vdash /I/1 \text{ INHABITABLE}$

Figure 8.2: Type Checking Proof Tree

by attempting to infer the *type* of an expression – success implies that the expression is in fact well-typed.

If the former paragraph is difficult to comprehend for you, don’t worry – you’ll likely pick up on things as we go along. For now, suffice it to say that we can assign “*types*” to *symbols*, and the MMT system is smart enough to use those to check that what we’re writing actually “makes sense”; for example, $a + b$ makes perfect sense if $+$ is addition and a and b are numbers, or elements of a vector space, but not if a and b are, say, triangles.

STEX Every *symbol* or *variable* can be assigned a **type**, signifying what “kind of object” the *symbol* represents, or what (primary) set it is contained in.



In order to *formally verify* a mathematical statement, we have to rely on a set of *rules* that determine what is or isn’t a valid statement. There are many systems



of such rules with very different flavours, called **(logical) foundations**. The most commonly used **foundation** in (informal) mathematics is *set theory*, in particular *ZFC*; a set of axioms in (usually) *first-order logic*. However, in *computer proof assistants* and similar systems, *type theories* like *higher-order logic* or the *calculus of (inductive) constructions* are more popular, because they lend themselves better to computer implementations.

In as far as possible, we prefer to remain “foundationally agnostic”, or **foundation independent**: Every **foundation** has advantages and disadvantages, and which one is appropriate often depends on the particular setting one is working in. Nevertheless, certain “meta-principles” have proven themselves to be extremely effective in representing and checking mathematical content in software, and while we do not fix a particular **foundation** or specific checking rules, we will make use of those principles in general. These include e.g. the *Curry-Howard Correspondance*, or *Judgments-as-Types paradigm*, and *Higher-Order Abstract Syntax*.



Full formal verification of document content is an extremely lofty goal, and hardly realistic if you’re not willing to write your content in pretty specific ways, and informed by a decent amount of background knowledge in formal logic. Moreover, formally verifying content in **STEX** is an ongoing research project, so we will not go into the specifics in detail here.

While full formal verification is out of reach for now, annotating adequate **types** can strike a useful balance between the effort required and the benefit of automated meaning checking afforded by them. In this sense **STEX** is pragmatically similar to programming languages where adding types can raise the quality and correctness assurance in programs.



Keep in mind that getting `Invalid Unit` warnings does not impact at all what your document is going to look like – feel free to ignore them entirely.

Types are particularly useful for *variables*:



A **variable** represents a *generic* or *unspecified* object.

Variables can be declared using the `\vardef`-macro, whose syntax is analogous to `\symdef`.

Note that **variables** are local to the current **TeX**-group (e.g. environment).

Let’s leave our `equality-module` aside for now and turn our attention to something simpler: **natural numbers**. Consider the following module:

Example 5

Input:

```

\begin{smodule}{Nat}
  \symdef{Nat}[name=natural numbers]{\mathbb N}
  \begin{spargraph}[style=symdoc]
    The \definame{Nat} \$\defnotation{\Nat}$ are the numbers
    $0,1,2,\dots$
  \end{spargraph}
  \symdef{plus}[name=addition,args=2]{#1 \mathbin{\maincomp{+}} #2}
  \begin{spargraph}[style=symdoc]
    \Definame{addition} \$\defnotation{\plus{a}{b}}$
    refers to the process of adding two \sn{Nat}.
  \end{spargraph}
\end{smodule}

```

Output:

The **natural numbers** \mathbb{N} are the numbers 0,1,2,...
Addition $a+b$ refers to the process of adding two **natural numbers**.

(like `\definame` and `\definiendum`, the `\defnotation` macro is only allowed in documenting environments like `spargraph[style=symdoc]` or `sdefinition`, and highlights the `notation` components marked with `\comp` or `\maincomp` the same way as `\definame` and `\definiendum` do.)

Note, that as the `\Nat` *semantic macro* does not take any arguments, we do not need to wrap the `notation` in a `\comp` or `\maincomp`.

Note also, that the `\plus{a}{b}` is again underlined in the IDE with an Invalid Unit warning.

The above fragment uses two *variables* a and b . In fact, MMT will consider them *variables* even though they are not marked up as such – but since they are not marked up, we are missing out on useful functionality.

Let's change that by adding two *variable* definitions¹:

Example 6

Input:

```

\begin{spargraph}[style=symdoc]
  \vardef{va}[name=a]{a}\vardef{vb}[name=b]{b}
  \Definame{addition} \$\defnotation{\plus{\va}{\vb}}$
  refers to the process of adding two \sn{Nat}.
\end{spargraph}

```

Output:

Addition $a+b$ refers to the process of adding two **natural numbers**.

¹Technically, this is called a *variable reservation*, for those in the know.

Okay, so now a and b are gray, but besides that, we haven't achieved much yet. Let's change that by giving the variables the type \mathbb{N} :

Example 7

Input:

```
\begin{spargraph}[style=symdoc]
  \vardef{va}[name=a,type=\Nat]{a}\vardef{vb}[name=b,type=\Nat]{b}
  \Definame{addition} $\defnotation{\plus{\va}{\vb}}$
  refers to the process of adding two \sn{\Nat}.
\end{spargraph}
```

Output:

Addition $a+b$ refers to the process of adding two natural numbers.

Now if we hover over the a and b (in the HTML), it will show us that their type is \mathbb{N} !

We can of course also assign types to symbols. In the IDE, find the symbol “function space” with semantic macro `\funspace` (in `[sTeX/MathBase/Functions]{mod?Function}`). The OMDoc preview window shows you how to use this symbol (Figure 8.3). This tells

▼ Symbol `function space` (`\funspace{a_1, \dots, a_n}{b}`)

Type	$(A : \text{SET}, B : \text{SET}) \rightarrow \text{SET}$	
Notations	id	notation
	<code>arrowtimes</code>	$a_1 \times \dots \times a_n \rightarrow b$
	<code>arrowcurry</code>	$a_1 \rightarrow \dots \rightarrow a_n \rightarrow b$
	<code>Arrowtimes</code>	$a_1 \times \dots \times a_n \Rightarrow b$
	<code>Arrowcurry</code>	$a_1 \Rightarrow \dots \Rightarrow a_n \Rightarrow b$

Figure 8.3: Syntax Preview

us that if we write `\funspace{a_1, \dots, a_n}{b}` (depending on which notation we use), we will get $a_1 \times \dots \times a_n \rightarrow b$.

We want addition to have type $\mathbb{N} \times \mathbb{N} \rightarrow \mathbb{N}$, hence we do:

```
\symdef{plus}[name=addition,args=2,
  type=\funspace{\Nat, \Nat}{\Nat}
]{#1 \mathbin{\maincomp{+}} #2}
```



So far (and when using the `use` button in the IDE), we have been using the `\usemodule` macro to import content. `\usemodule` is allowed anywhere and imports the referenced `module` content local to the current `TeX` group.

Now that we use imported `symbols` in `types` (and since we are *in a module*), we need to make sure that the imported `modules` are also (transitively) *exported*, since our new `symbols` now *depend* on the imported `module`.

For that we use the `\importmodule` macro within the `module`; i.e. the file should now look something like this:

```
\begin{smodule}{Nat}
  \importmodule[sTeX/MathBase/Functions]{mod?Function}
  ...
\end{smodule}
```

Note that the `HTML` is aware of this now (after you save): *Clicking* on any occurrence of `addition` now yields [Figure 8.4](#).

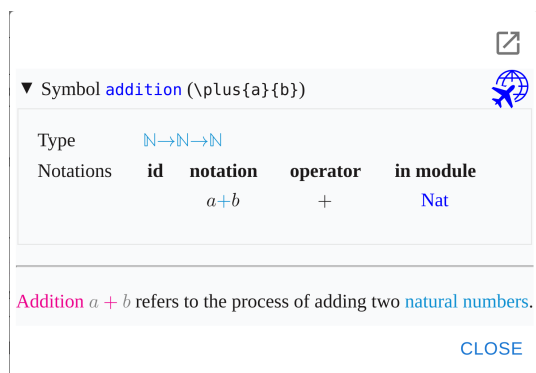


Figure 8.4: On-Click Popup in the `HTML`

However, the squiggly yellow `Invalid Unit` warnings are still there – that’s because everything we did with `types` so far still depends on our `natural numbers` symbol, which does not have a `type` yet.

By virtue of using `[sTeX/MathBase/Functions]{mod?Function}`, we also imported `[sTeX/MathBase/Sets]{mod?Set}`, which gives us the “*collection*” symbol. Let’s use this as a `type` for the `natural numbers`:

```
\symdef{Nat}[name=natural numbers,type=\collection]{\mathbb N}
```

Now if we save the file, all the squiggly lines are gone. Moreover, if you look at the `OMDoc` tab in the preview window, you can find [Figure 8.5](#). The `Document Elements` block collects all semantically annotated expressions in a `module` or document; including `variables` and the `\plus{\va}{\vb}`. Here, it tells us that it has checked the expression $a + b$ (in the context of $a : \mathbb{N}$ and $b : \mathbb{N}$), and inferred that it has `type N`.

Here’s what just happened:

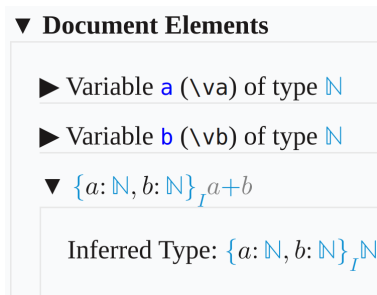


Figure 8.5: Inferred Type

1. The MMT system realized, that $\text{\$}\backslash\text{plus}\{\backslash\text{va}\}\{\backslash\text{vb}\}\text{\$}$ is the symbol “addition” applied to the two arguments a and b .
2. It knows, that “addition” has type $\mathbb{N} \times \mathbb{N} \rightarrow \mathbb{N}^2$.
3. It knows, that this means that if the two arguments a and b both have type \mathbb{N} , then the full expression has type \mathbb{N} .

Here’s something you can now try: If we *remove* the types from the variables a and b again, the warnings are *still* gone. We lose the type information on hover, but MMT still doesn’t complain, because it now realizes that since a and b have no explicit types given, it should infer them. And by the same chain of reasoning as above, it can infer that since they are being used as arguments for `addition`, they need to have type \mathbb{N} .

8.3 Flexary Macros and Argument Modes

Here is one thing you might wonder: Writing $\text{\$}\backslash\text{plus}\{\text{a}\}\{\text{b}\}\text{\$}$ is one thing, but what if we want to produce $a + b + c + d + e$? Do we really need to write $\text{\$}\backslash\text{plus}\{\text{a}\}\{\backslash\text{plus}\{\text{b}\}\{\backslash\text{plus}\{\text{c}\}\{\dots\}\}\}\text{\$}$?

Of course not. We can declare the symbol such that the semantic macro `\plus` expects a (comma-separated) *sequence* of arguments instead of two “normal” arguments.

The optional `args`-argument of `\symdecl` expects a string of characters indicating the semantic macro’s **argument modes**. There are four such **modes**:

STEX

- i** a **simple argument**,
- a** a – (left or right) **associative – sequence argument**, represented as a single \TeX -argument $\{\text{a}, \text{b}, \dots\}$,

²Do not worry that the IDE actually reports the type $\{a: \mathbb{N}, b: \mathbb{N}\}_I \mathbb{N}$, this is an artefact of the underlying type system with dependent types used by `sTeX`; it just means $\mathbb{N} \times \mathbb{N} \rightarrow \mathbb{N}$ in this special case, but would also allow a and b to appear in the range type in more complex situations; see ?? for details.

STEX

- b A **binding argument** that expects a variable that is bound by the **symbol** in its application, and
- B A **binding sequence argument** of arbitrarily many bound variables by the **symbol** $(\{x,y,z,\dots\})$.

If **args** is given as a number n instead, the **semantic macro** takes n arguments of **mode** i .

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- For $\backslash\text{plus}\{a,b,c\}$ yielding $a + b + c$, we do $\backslash\text{symdecl}\{\text{plus}\}[\text{args}=a]$,
- for $\backslash\text{inset}\{a,b,c\}\{A\}$ yielding $a, b, c \in A$, we do $\backslash\text{symdecl}\{\text{inset}\}[\text{args}=ai]$,
- in $\backslash\text{add}\{i\}\{1\}\{n\}\{f(i)\}$ yielding $\sum_{i=1}^n f(i)$, the variable i is **bound** in the expression, we hence do $\backslash\text{symdecl}\{\text{add}\}[\text{args}=biii]$,
- in $\backslash\text{forall}\{x,y,z\}\{P(x,y,z)\}$ yielding $\forall x,y,z. P(x,y,z)$, the variables x,y,z are all **bound** by the \forall , we hence do $\backslash\text{symdecl}\{\text{forall}\}[\text{args}=Bii]$.

So when we wrote $\backslash\text{symdecl}\{\text{plus}\}[\text{args}=2]$, this was actually shorthand for $\backslash\text{symdecl}\{\text{plus}\}[\text{args}=ii]$.

Let's revise our previous declaration and the syntax of the $\backslash\text{plus}$ macro:

```
\symdef{plus}[name=addition,args=a,
  type=\funspace{\Nat,\Nat}\{\Nat}
]{#1 \mathbin{\maincomp{+}} #2}
\begin{sparagraph}[style=symdoc]
  \vardef{va}[name=a]{a}\vardef{vb}[name=b]{b}
  \Definame{addition} $\defnotation{\plus{\va,\vb}}$
  refers to the process of adding two \sn{\Nat}.
\end{sparagraph}
```

Now we get new errors, that are easy to explain: Our **notation** $\{#1 \mathbin{\maincomp{+}} #2\}$ refers to *two* arguments, but our **semantic macro** only takes *one* (albeit a **sequence argument**). We now need to let **STEX** know what to do with the **sequence argument** in our **notation**. Using the $\backslash\text{argsep}$ macro, we can tell **STEX** to insert the *separator* “+” between the individual elements of the **argument sequence** #1:

```
\symdef{plus}[name=addition,args=a,
  type=\funspace{\Nat,\Nat}\{\Nat}
]{\argsep{#1}\{\mathbin{\maincomp{+}}}}
```

Now we can finally write $\backslash\text{plus}\{a,b,c,d,e\}$ and get $a + b + c + d + e$ – hooray! ...expect that our squiggly yellow Invalid Unit warnings are back. That's because the **type** of **addition** still corresponds to a binary operation, rather than a unary function on sequences.

We *could* change the `type` of course, but we shouldn't *want* to or *have* to: platonically, `addition` is *still* a *binary function*; we just introduced the `a-mode` argument for *our* convenience as authors.

Instead, we can tell `MMT` how to “resolve” the `sequence argument` into a nested application of `addition`. In the very common case we have here, where the `symbol` represents an *associative binary operator*, we can just add the argument `assoc=bin` to the `\symdecl` (or `\symdef`) `macro`:

```
\symdef{plus}[name=addition,args=a,assoc=bin,
  type=\funspace{\Nat,\Nat}{\Nat}
]{\argsep{#1}{\mathbin{\maincomp{+}}}}
```

and the warnings are gone again. Formally/internally, `MMT` will now turn the term `addition(sequence(a,b,c))` into `addition(a,addition(b,c))`.

Exercise

Analogously to the above, implement a `symbol` “multiplication” with `semantic macro` `\mult`, that takes a single `sequence argument` and has a default `notation` such that `\mult{a,b,c}` produces $a \cdot b \cdot c$.

Solution: Can be found in `[sTeX/MathTutorial]mod/Nat.en.tex`

8.4 Precedences

If you have done the previous exercise, you now have `semantic macros` `\plus` and `\mult` at your disposal. We can of course nest them to produce e.g. $a + b \cdot c$ (with `$(\plus{a,\mult{b,c}})$`). If we do `$(\mult{a,\plus{b,c}})$` however, we get $a \cdot b + c$. Annoying – we now have to insert parentheses: `$(\mult{a,(\plus{b,c}))}$`... or do we?

We do *not*. Instead, we can assign *precedences* to *notations* to have `STEX` insert parentheses automatically.

`\notation` (and hence `\symdef`) take an optional argument `prec=<opprec>;<argprec1>x...x<argprec n>` consisting of an **operator precedence** `<opprec>` and for each argument `k` an **argument precedence** `<argprec k>`.

All *precedences* are integers, e.g. 10 or -500. It is good practice to use *precedences* that leave enough room to smuggle values inbetween, so that we can fine-tune them later as more symbols may intervene.

The precise numbers used for *precedences* are arbitrary – what matters is which *precedence* is higher than which other *precedence* when used together.

By default, all *precedences* are 0, unless the `symbol` takes no arguments, in which case the **operator precedence** is `\neginfprec` (negative infinity).

If we only provide a single number in `prec=`, this is taken as both the **operator precedence** and all **argument precedences**.

The *lower* a **precedence**, the *stronger* a **notation** binds its arguments. In our particular case, we want **multiplication** to bind stronger than **addition**, so we can (arbitrarily) assign them **precedences** e.g. 10 and 20:

```
\symdef{plus}[name=addition,args=a,assoc=bin,prec=20,
  type=\funspace{\Nat,\Nat}{\Nat}
]{\argsep{#1}{\mathbin{\maincomp{+}}}}
\symdef{mult}[name=multiplication,args=a,assoc=bin,prec=10,
  type=\funspace{\Nat,\Nat}{\Nat}
]{\argsep{#1}{\mathbin{\maincomp{\cdot}}}}
```

And now if we type $\$ \backslash mult\{a, \backslash plus\{b, c\}\}$$, **STEX** will automatically insert parentheses and yield $a \cdot (b + c)$ – and conversely, if we do $\$ \backslash plus\{a, \backslash mult\{b, c\}\}$$, **STEX** will *not* insert parentheses and yield $a + b \cdot c$.

8.5 Implicit Arguments

Let us turn our attention back to **equality**. Here’s an almost philosophical question: *What is the type of “equality”?* Asking (the right kind of) mathematicians this question can cause fist fights to break out. As such, we will not give a definitive answer, *but* here is an informative approach that has proven to be quite effective in computational settings:

Equality is a *polymorphic binary relation* on an *implicit collection* A . And a *relation* is a function into a **type** of *propositions*.

We will see the advantage of this approach over time. For now, consider that given objects a and b , the expression “ $a = b$ ” is either true or false³, and “**equal**” takes two arguments, so if we have a **type** of “truth values”, it makes sense to model “**equal**” as a function taking two arguments and returning that **type**. So we do `type=\funspace{... ..?}`

Here’s the idea with respect to *implicit arguments*. Let’s first declare a new **variable** of **type** “**collection**”:

```
\vardef{vA}[name=a,type=\collection]{A}
```

We now assign the **type** $A \times A \rightarrow \mathbf{Prop}$ to **equal**:

```
\symdef{eq}[name=equal,args=2,eq,
  type=\funspace{\vA,\vA}{\prop}
]{#1 \mathrel{\maincomp{=}} #2}
```

(The **symbol** “**proposition**” with **semantic macro** `\prop` comes with **STEX** directly; we say that it is part of the **STEX**.)

Now our **type** has a free variable A . For **MMT**, this now means that **equal** actually takes *one more argument*, but one whose value is uniquely determined from the other arguments. Indeed, if you consider **equal** to take three arguments (the first one being some A of **type collection**), then the *next* two arguments *enforce* that the first argument has to be the **type** of the other two.

³Assuming classical logic – if you prefer to remain intuitionistic/constructive, note that **STEX**, being **foundation independent**, does not enforce the law of excluded middle!

In other words: A is now an implicit argument that `MMT` is tasked with inferring whenever we use `equal`, and that we never explicitly provide in `STEX`.

Indeed, if we use our `module Nat` from before, and apply `\eq` to a variable of type \mathbb{N} , `MMT` does not complain:

```
\usemodule{mod?Nat}
\vardef{vn}[name=n,type=\Nat]{n}
$\eq{\vn}{m}$
```

And if we inspect the `OMDOC` tab in the `HTML` preview, we can see exactly what `MMT` did (Figure 8.6). We can see

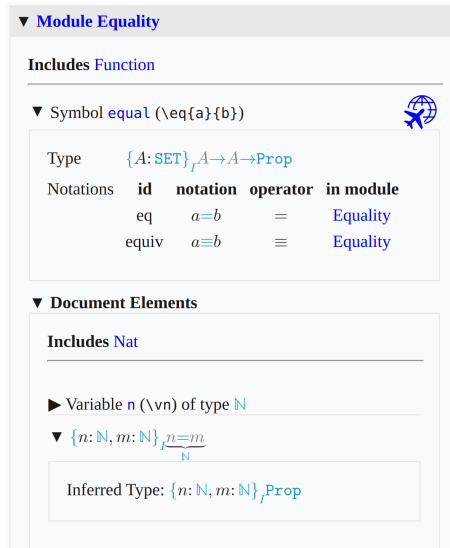


Figure 8.6: Implicit Arguments

1. (by the $\{\cdot\}_I \dots$) that `MMT` considers A an implicit argument in the type of `equal`,
 2. that the *inferred* type of $n = m$ is `Prop`,
 3. that `MMT` inferred the implicit argument of `equal` in $n = m$ to be \mathbb{N} (by the $\underbrace{\dots}_N$),
- and
4. that it was enough to give `\vn` the explicit type \mathbb{N} – `MMT` also inferred that hence m also has to have type \mathbb{N} !

8.6 Finishing Equality

You might wonder if – as with `addition` – we can make “`equal`” take a `sequence argument` as well. Naturally, we can:

```

1 \symdef{eq}[name=equal, args=a, eq,
2   type=\funspace{\vA, \vA}{\prop}
3   ]{\argsep{#1}{\mathrel{\maincomp=}}}
4 \notation{eq}[equiv]{\argsep{#1}{\mathrel{\maincomp\equiv}}}

```

and as before, we now get `Invalid Unit` warnings. Unlike before, however, we can not just fix this with adding `assoc=bin`. As mentioned, `bin` instructs `MMT` to “fold” the `symbol` over the arguments, so when doing `\eq{a,b,c}`, `MMT` would turn this into `equal(a, equal(b, c))`, i.e. the claim that “*a* is equal to “*b = c*” – but that’s not what $a = b = c$ means. What we mean by $a = b = c$ is really “*a = b and b = c*”.

For that, we can use `assoc=conj` – however, that requires that some `symbol` that can be used for *conjunction* (i.e. “and”) is in the current scope.

If we search for `conjunction` in the `IDE`, we should find the `module [sTeX/Logic/General]{mod/syntax?Conjunction}`.

Using that, we can now write the following:

```

\usemodule{mod?Nat}
\usemodule[sTeX/Logic/General]{mod/syntax?Conjunction}
\vardef{vn}[name=n, type=\Nat]{n}
 $\eq{\vn, m, p}$ 

```

Upon saving, `MMT` does not complain; and if we inspect the `OMDoc` tab in the `HTML` window again, we now notice that `MMT` correctly resolved this as in [Figure 8.7](#).

The screenshot shows the `OMDoc` tab in the IDE. It displays the following structure:

- Module Equality**
 - Includes Function**
 - Symbol `equal` ($\eq{a_1, \dots, a_n}$)
 - Document Elements**
 - Includes Nat, Conjunction**
 - $\{n: \mathbb{N}, m: \mathbb{N}, p: \mathbb{N}\}_{\underbrace{n=m}_{\mathbb{N}} \wedge \underbrace{m=p}_{\mathbb{N}}}$
 - Inferred Type: $\{n: \mathbb{N}, m: \mathbb{N}, p: \mathbb{N}\}_P \text{Prop}$

Figure 8.7: Conjunction of Equalities

8.7 Variable Sequences

There is a special kind of `variable` in `sTeX` for when we want to use *sequences* of `variables`.

We can use the `\varseq` macro to declare a new sequence `variable`; in the simplest case that looks something like the following:


```
\varepsilon{seqn}[name=n,type=\Nat]{1,\ellipses,k}{\maincomp{n}_{#1}}
```

We have just declared a new variable sequence of type \mathbb{N} , that ranges over indices $1, \dots, k$, with notation n_i for some specific index i .

If we now do $\text{\seqn}\{i\}$, we get n_i , and if we do $\text{\seqn}!$, we get n_1, \dots, n_k .

We can also do multi-dimensional sequences, e.g.

```
\varepsilon{seqm}[name=m,type=\Nat,args=2]
{1}{1},\ellipses,{\ell}{k}
{\maincomp{m}_{#1}^{\#2}}
```

Now $\text{\seqm}\{i\}\{j\}$ produces m_i^j , and $\text{\seqm}!$ produces m_1^1, \dots, m_ℓ^k .

Of course, we can manually change the way $\text{\seqn}!$ is typeset by providing an explicit operator notation using `op=`; e.g. if we do

```
\varepsilon{seqn}[name=n,type=\Nat,op={\text{\scriptsize}(n_i)}_{i=1}^k]
{1,\ellipses,k}{\maincomp{n}_{#1}}
```

then $\text{\seqn}!$ produces $(n_i)_{i=1}^k$.

So far so nice, but sequence variables get especially useful in combination with *sequence arguments*: Consider for example the `\plus` semantic macro for addition. This expects one *sequence argument*, or alternatively, a *sequence variable*: `\plus{\seqn}` now produces $n_1 + \dots + n_k$, and `\eq{\seqm}` now produces $m_1^1 = \dots = m_\ell^k$.

TODO⁴

⁴TODO: `seqmap`

Chapter 9

Statements

Now that we have [equality](#), [natural numbers](#), [addition](#) and [multiplication](#) at our disposal, let's implement some *statements*. Both [addition](#) and [multiplication](#) are, for example, *associative* and *commutative*.

We could state these properties directly for the two operations, but we can also first define *associativity* and *commutativity* in general, and then assert them specifically for [addition](#) and [multiplication](#).

9.1 Definitions

Let's define what it means to be *associative*. This means, of course, declaring a new [symbol](#). Note that we don't need a [semantic macro](#) for [associativity](#), since there is no [notation](#) to attach to it. We will also for now ignore its [type](#). Note however, that [associativity](#) is still a property of (binary) operations, so it still makes sense to have the [symbol](#) take an *argument*; namely the operation it applies to.

We will also finally provide an actual (more or less) formal *definition* for the [symbol](#), so where we used the [sparagraph environment](#) with `style=symdoc` before, we will now use the [sdefinition environment](#), which also gives us `\definame`, `\definiendum`, `\defnotation` and all that.

A first variant of a corresponding [module](#) could look like this:

Example 9

Input:

```

File [sTeX/MathTutorial]props/Associative1.en.tex
4 \begin{smodule}{Associative}
5   \importmodule{mod?Equality}
6
7   \symdecl*{associative}[args=1]
8   \begin{sdefinition}[for=associative]
9     \vardef{vA}[name=A,type=\collection]{A}
10    \vardef{vop}[name=op,type=\funspace{\vA,\vA}\vA,args=a,assoc=bin]
11      {\argsep{#1}{\mathbin{\maincomp{\circ}}}}
12    %
13    A binary operation  $\fun{vop!}{\vA,\vA}\vA$  is called
14    \definame{associative}, if
15     $\eq{
16      \vop{(\vop{a,b}),c},
17      \vop{a,(\vop{b,c})}
18    }{\$}$  for all  $\inset{a,b,c}\vA$ .
19  \end{sdefinition}
20 \end{smodule}

```

Output:

Definition 9.1.1. A binary operation $\circ : A \times A \rightarrow A$ is called **associative**, if $(a \circ b) \circ c = a \circ (b \circ c)$ for all $a, b, c \in A$.

Note, that the **semantic macros** `\fun` and `\inset` come from `[sTeX/MathBase/Functions]mod?Function` and `[sTeX/MathBase/Sets]mod?Set`, respectively. Also note, that the **variable** declaration for `\vop` makes use of all the fun features we already discussed for **addition**.



Note that the above is more than good enough, if you merely want to produce nice-looking, “wikified” **HTML** and **PDF** documents. The rest of this section will cover how to add more flexiformal semantics to the above.

If this seems laborious and/or difficult, keep in mind that this is to some degree experimental still, and you are not forced to go overboard with semantic annotations!

But if you aim to create a “library of symbols” for mathematical concepts, then all of the possibilities that we discuss here will add value for the community. Generally, the higher the ratio of readers to authors the more any investment in semantization will pay off.

9.1.1 Semantic Macros in Text Mode

The first thing we can do to further improve this document is marking up the “for all” in the definition – after all, there naturally is a **symbol** for the **universal quantifier**, which can be found in `[sTeX/Logic/General]mod/syntax?UniversalQuantifier` and has the **semantic macro** `\forall` (as to not conflict with the **TEX** primitive **macro** `\forall`).

The naive approach would be to replace the “for all” by e.g. `\sr{forall}{for all}`. That would (correctly) associate and highlight the text fragment with the symbol “universal quantifier”, *but* we are not just referencing the symbol here – we are actually using it, by *applying* it to the variables a, b, c and the expression $(a \circ b) \circ c = a \circ (b \circ c)$.

In *math mode*, we can just use the semantic macro `\forall` – that will take two arguments (of modes `B` and `i`) and produce the corresponding notation, so that

```
\forall{\inset{a,b,c}{\vA}}{
  \eq{ \vop{(\vop{a,b}),c} , \vop{a,(\vop{b,c})} }
}
```

will produce $\forall a, b, c \in A. (a \circ b) \circ c = a \circ (b \circ c)$.

In *text mode*, however, we don’t have a specific notation – instead, the specific “notation” is whatever sentence we want to mark up semantically. In text mode, semantic macros therefore behave differently:

1. They take *precisely* one argument, regardless of how many arguments the macro would take in math mode or (equivalently) the `args` property of the symbol.
2. *Within* that argument, we can use `\comp` to highlight arbitrary text fragments, and
3. we can use the `\arg` macro to mark up the *actual* arguments that the symbol is supposed to be applied to.

`\arg` takes as optional argument the index of the argument that is being marked up; if not they are used consecutively. The starred variant `\arg*` produces no output.

So we could now do

```
\forall{\comp{For all} $\arg{\inset{a,b,c}{\vA}}$, we have
  $\arg{
    \eq{ \vop{(\vop{a,b}),c} , \vop{a,(\vop{b,c})} }
  }$
}
```

which produces “For all $a, b, c \in A$, we have $(a \circ b) \circ c = a \circ (b \circ c)$ ”.

In our case though, we want to “switch the arguments around” – first comes the equation, then the variables to be bound. Hence:

```
\forall{
  $\arg[2]{
    \eq{ \vop{(\vop{a,b}),c} , \vop{a,(\vop{b,c})} }
  }$
  \comp{for all}
  $\arg[1]{ \inset{a,b,c}{\vA} }$
}
```

which produces “ $(a \circ b) \circ c = a \circ (b \circ c)$ for all $a, b, c \in A$ ”.

9.1.2 Definientia

Now we have a fully semantically annotated expression in the definition for “`associative`”. Can we let `MMT` know, that this expression really is *the* definition of the `symbol`?

Yes, we can. All we need to do is wrap the sentence in a `\definiens` macro (plural: *definientia*; like the word “*definiendum*” refers to “the term being defined”, “*definiens*” refers to “the thing the term is being defined *as*”).

The `\definiens` macro is only allowed within the `sdefinition` environment, and requires that the `environment` lists the `symbol` that gets the `definiens` attached explicitly in its `for=` argument. It is possible to attach `definientia` to multiple `symbols` within an `sdefinition` environment, in which case the `symbol` needs to be provided as an optional argument, e.g. we could do `\definiens[associative]{...}`. Since “`associative`” is the only `symbol` being defined in our definition, we can omit that argument.

Alternatively, as with `types` we can attach `definientia` to a `\symdecl` directly using the optional argument `def=...`

At this point, you might justifiably wonder, why we even still need to declare `associative` with `\symdecl*` before we define it. And indeed, we don’t – the `sdefinition` environment takes the same optional arguments as the `\symdecl` macro, and if we explicitly provide a `name=` (or a `macro=`), it will generate a `symbol` for us. We can hence get rid of the `\symdecl*` and instead do:

```
1 \begin{sdefinition}[name=associative,args=1]
2   ...
3 \end{sdefinition}
```

One more problem remains: We stated that `associative` is to take one argument – but we haven’t told `TEX` what it is yet. In our case, the argument is represented by the `variable` `\vop`. In fact, chances are that arguments to `symbols` in `types` or `definientia` are almost always represented by some `variable`.

We can use one of two ways to a `variable` as being an argument:

1. If the `variable` (e.g. `\vop` with name `op`) was already declared prior to the `sdefinition` environment, we can use the `\varbind` macro in the `environment`; e.g. by adding `\varbind{op}`.
2. We can move (or copy) the `\vardef` for the `variable` into the `environment` and add `bind` to its optional arguments.

In total, our fully annotated definition now looks like this:

Example 10

Input:

```

File [sTeX/MathTutorial]props/Associative.en.tex
8 \begin{sdefinition}[name=associative,args=1]
9 \vardef{vA}[name=A,type=\collection]{A}
10 \vardef{vop}[name=op,type=\funspace{\vA,\vA}\vA,
11 args=a,assoc=bin,bind % <- argument for the symbol
12 ]{\argsep{#1}{\mathbin{\maincomp{\circ}}}}
13 \vardef{va}[name=a,type=\vA]{a}
14 \vardef{vb}[name=b,type=\vA]{b}
15 \vardef{vc}[name=c,type=\vA]{c}
16 %
17 A binary operation  $\fun{\vop!}{\vA,\vA}\vA$  is called
18 \definame{associative}, if
19 \definiens{\foral{\arg[2]{\eq{
20 \vop{(\vop{va,vb}),vc},
21 \vop{va,(vop{vb,vc})}}
22 }]}$ \comp{for all} $arg[1]{\inset{va,vb,vc}\vA}}$.
23 \end{sdefinition}
24 %

```

Output:

Definition 9.1.2. A binary operation $\circ : A \times A \rightarrow A$ is called **associative**, if $(a \circ b) \circ c = a \circ (b \circ c)$ for all $a, b, c \in A$.

And indeed, if we look at the [OMDoc](#) tab of the [HTML](#) preview, we can see that not only does [MMT](#) attach the definiens to the symbol, it has also inferred the type of “associative” from the definiens ([Figure 9.1](#)).

▼ Symbol **associative**

Definiens $\{A: \text{SET}\}_I(\circ: A \rightarrow A \rightarrow A) \rightarrow \forall a: A, b: A, c: A. ((a \circ b) \circ c = a \circ (b \circ c))$

Type $\{A: \text{SET}\}_I(\circ: A \rightarrow A \rightarrow A) \rightarrow \text{Prop}$

Figure 9.1: Type Inferred from Definiens

9.1.3 Using Symbols Without Semantic Macros and Exporting Code in Modules

So now we don’t have a [semantic macro](#) for “associative”, but it *does* take an argument. How can we ever actually *use* the symbol now?

The answer is: with the [\symuse](#) macro. Like [\symref](#) and friends, [\symuse](#) takes a [symbol](#) name or the name of its [semantic macro](#) as argument, but behaves otherwise

like using a `semantic macro` directly. So for, say, `addition`, `\symuse{addition}` and `\symuse{plus}` behave exactly like `\plus`.

In our case, this means we can do `\symuse{associative}`. “`associative`” does not have a `notation`, but in practice, we say something like “`+ is associative`” rather than using some specific mathematical `notation` for the same thing.

Combining this with what we just learned, we can now say that `addition` is `associative` by doing:

```
\symuse{associative}{\arg{\plus!}$ \comp{is associative}}
```

In fact, we would do the exact same thing every time we want to say that *some* operator is associative, so it makes sense to introduce a `macro` for this. In fact, such a `macro` is easy to define using standard `LATEX` methods. This is where `\STEXexport` becomes very handy:

In a `module`, we can put arbitrary `LATEX` code in an `\STEXexport`, and this code will be executed every time the `module` is imported via `\usemodule` or `\importmodule`. This is especially useful for `macro` definitions, and this way `modules` can almost act like `LATEX` `packages`!

So we can define a new `macro` `\isassociative` that applies “`associative`” to an arbitrary operation and produces the semantically marked-up text “`#1 is associative`”, and wrap that `macro` definition in an `\STEXexport`, and whenever we use the `Associative` `module`, we also get the `\isassociative` `macro`:

```
\STEXexport{
  \def\isassociative#1{
    \symuse{associative}{\arg{#1} ~is ~\comp{associative}}
  }
}
```

And now, we can do e.g. `\isassociative{\plus!}$` to produce “`+ is associative`”.



For technical reasons, `\STEXexport` processes its content in the `expl3` category code scheme – what this means is that all spaces are ignored entirely, and the characters `_` and `:` are valid characters in `macro` names.

In practice, this means you will have to use the `~` character for spaces, and if you want to use a subscript `_`, you should use the `macro` `\c_math_subscript_token` instead.

Exercise

Analogously to all the above, implement a `module` for *commutativity*; i.e the property of a binary operation that $a \circ b = b \circ a$ for all a, b . Make the `module` export a `macro` `\iscommutative` analogously to `\isassociative`.

Solution: Can be found in `[sTeX/MathTutorial]props/Commutative.en.tex`

TODO¹

¹TODO: intent?

9.2 Assertions

Having defined [associativity](#) and [commutativity](#), we can now assert that both properties hold for [addition](#) and [multiplication](#).

For *assertions* (i.e. theorems, lemmata, axioms, claims,...), [L^AT_EX](#) provides the [sassertion environment](#).

In the simplest case, that can look like the following:

```
\begin{sassertion}
  \isassociative{\Sn{plus}}
\end{sassertion}
```

which yields

Addition is associative

Do we want this to be typeset as a **Theorem**? For that we just add a `[style=theorem]` to the [sassertion environment](#), provided we have a customization for that – (see chapter 9 (User Manual) in the [L^AT_EX](#) Documentation). We can also load the [stexthm package](#), which uses the `amsthm` package to provide common typesettings for the types: `theorem`, `observation`, `corollary`, `lemma`, `axiom` and `remark`.

So far, this is not too useful – after all, we could have just as well used e.g. the [amsthm package](#) and gone straight for the non-[L^AT_EX](#) variant

```
\begin{theorem}
  \isassociative{\Sn{plus}}
\end{theorem}
```

But as with [sdefinition](#), we can immediately add a corresponding [symbol](#) in the [sassertion environment](#), and have it be documented directly by the [environment](#):

```
\begin{sassertion}[style=theorem,name=addition is associative]
  \isassociative{\Sn{plus}}
\end{sassertion}
```

And now, if we do `\sn{addition is associative}`, we get [addition is associative](#) with a corresponding hover pop-up (in the [HTML](#)).

Of course, the usefulness of this grows with more elaborate assertions. For very short assertions such as the above, we might not even want to typeset them in such a space hungry manner.

For that purpose, we provide the `\inlineass macro` (and analogously: `\inlinedef` for [sdefinition](#)), which takes the same optional arguments as the [environment](#). So we could also do:

```
\inlineass[name=addition is associative]{\isassociative{\Sn{plus}}}
```

So far, [M^AT](#) is blissfully unaware of the semantic contents of our assertions. We can easily remedy that by wrapping the expression representing the assertion in a `\conclusion macro`, analogously to the `definiens macro` in [sdefinitions](#):

```
\inlineass[name=addition is associative]{
\conclusion{\isassociative{\Sn{plus}}}
}
```

We can now see the statement in the [OMDoc](#) tab of the [HTML](#) preview ([Figure 9.2](#)).

▷ Assertion `addition is associative` ⊢ apply $\left(\text{apply} \left(\frac{\text{associativeN}}{\mathbb{N}} \right) + \right)$

Figure 9.2: Assertion Statement in [OMDoc](#)

Not exactly pretty – the [OMDoc](#) tab uses [notations](#) to render content, and we did not provide any for [associative](#).

Notice the \vdash symbol after the name of the assertion? As an aside for those who are curious:

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The [judgments as types](#) paradigm represents the validity of [proposition](#) via a designated *type of proofs*: For any [proposition](#) P , we introduce a collection $\vdash P$ of *proofs* of P .

To say that the [proposition holds](#) is then equivalent to positing that *some* element $p : \vdash P$ exists – in which case *proofs* become typed objects in their own right.

Let’s consider a more interesting statement now. How about the [induction axiom](#)?

```
\begin{sassertion}[style=axiom,name=induction axiom]
Let  $\varphi(n)$  a property on  $\mathbb{N}$ . If
\begin{enumerate}
\item  $\varphi(0)$  and
\item if  $\varphi(m)$  holds for some  $m$ , then
 $\varphi(\text{plus}\{m,1\})$  also holds,
\end{enumerate}
then  $\varphi(n)$  holds for all  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ .
\end{sassertion}
```

Axiom 9.2.1. Let $\varphi(n)$ a property on *natural numbers*. If

1. $\varphi(0)$ and
2. if $\varphi(m)$ holds for some m , then $\varphi(m + 1)$ also holds,

then $\varphi(n)$ holds for all $n \in \mathbb{N}$.

Exercise

Annotate the above by:

1. [Variables](#) with appropriate [notations](#) for φ , m and n , and

2. marking up the second premise (“if $\varphi(m)$ holds for some...” in text mode as the formula $\forall m.\varphi(m) \Rightarrow \varphi(m+1)$ using the semantic macros `\forall` (which we saw earlier already) and `\implies` (implication) from `[sTeX/Logic/General]mod/syntax?Implication`. The text fragments that should be highlighted are “if” and “then”.
3. marking up the conclusion (“ $\varphi(n)$ holds for all $n \in \mathbb{N}$ ”) in text mode as the formula $\forall n.\varphi(n)$. The text fragment that should be highlighted is “for all”.

Hint:

- The starred variant `\arg*{...}` produces no output.
- Giving a notation the precedence `prec=nobrackets` assigns precedences such that no parentheses are inserted around either the notation itself, or its arguments.
- `\dobrackets{...}` in a notation wraps its argument in parentheses, makes sure that no additional parentheses are automatically inserted in its argument, and highlights the parentheses themselves with `\comp`.
- So far, MMT does not know that 0 and 1 are natural numbers. While there are smarter (but more technical) ways to solve this, for now we recommend introducing symbols `zero` and `one` with notations 0 and 1, respectively.

Solution: Can be found in `[sTeX/MathTutorial]mod/NatTheorems.en.tex`

So how can we teach MMT the semantics of this statement? Here’s what we can do:

1. As with the simpler assertions (and hence the name), the *conclusion* of the assertion can be marked up with `\conclusion`.
2. As with `sdefinition`, we can mark variables as *bound* (using either `bind` in the `\vardef` or `\varbind`). If a symbol that can act as a universal quantifier is in scope, variables marked as bound are abstracted away using that symbol.
3. Similarly to `\conclusion`, *premises* can be marked up as such using the `\premise macro`. If a symbol is in scope that can act as an implication, that will be used to connect the premise(s) to the conclusion.

Hence, if we mark the variable φ as bound and use `\premise` and `\conclusion` (see `[sTeX/MathTutorial]mod/NatTheorems.en.tex`), we can inspect the OMDoc tab in the HTML preview again and see that MMT has now constructed the proposition (Figure 9.3).

▷ Assertion `induction axiom` $\vdash \forall \varphi: \mathbb{N} \rightarrow \text{Prop}. \varphi(0) \Rightarrow (\forall m: \mathbb{N}. \varphi(m) \Rightarrow \varphi(m+1)) \Rightarrow (\forall n: \mathbb{N}. \varphi(n))$

Figure 9.3: The `Induction Axiom` in `OMDoc`

9.3 Proofs



`STEX` provides the `sproof environment` for marking up *proofs*.

The markup mechanism for `sproof` is still highly experimental and likely subject to change in the near future. As such, we omit a closer explanation of its usage until the syntax and functionality have sufficiently stabilized.

Chapter 10

Mathematical Structures

A common concept in mathematics is that of a **mathematical structure** – a *tuple* of interdependent components. For example: A *monoid* is a **structure** $\langle M, \circ, e \rangle$ such that certain axioms hold; where M is a set, \circ is a binary operation, and $e \in M$.

From a representational perspective, this is particularly interesting: M , \circ and e in the above are not **symbols** in the same way that the previous **symbols** we considered were – they don’t represent definite objects. Instead, they are *components* of some other object, namely a monoid; where a *particular* monoid could either be a fixed object (such as $\langle \mathbb{Z}, +, 0 \rangle$) or an *indefinite* monoid; i.e. a **variable**. We call the components of a **mathematical structure** **fields**.

In this chapter, we will discuss how to declare and use **mathematical structures** in **STeX**, build them up modularly, and connect them among each other to avoid duplication.

We will do so by considering *lattices* both algebraically and order-theoretically, and identify the two perspectives.

10.1 Declaring and Using Structures

The simplest kinds of **structures** are *magmas* and (*directed*) *graphs*, so we might as well start there:

Definition 10.1.1. A **magma** is a **structure** $\langle U, \circ \rangle$, where U is a **collection** and \circ a binary operation $U \times U \rightarrow U$.

The obvious start is to create a new **module** **Magma**. Within this **module**, we import the **Functions** **module** so we can later assign a **type** to the operation. We can then use the **mathstructure** **environment**, that creates a new **symbol** “**magma**”:

```
\begin{smodule}{Magma}
  \importmodule[sTeX/MathBase/Functions]{mod?Function}
  \begin{mathstructure}{magma}
    ...
```

```
\end{mathstructure}
\end{smodule}
```

`mathstructure` behaves very similarly as `smodule` – within the `environment`, we can declare new `symbols`, `notations` and all that.

So within the `mathstructure`, we can add `symbols` for the two fields U and \circ :

```
\symdef{univ}[name=universe,type=\collection]{U}
\symdef{op}[name=operation,args=a,assoc=bin,
type=\funspace{\univ,\univ}\univ
]{\argsep{#1}{\mathbin{\maincomp{\circ}}}}
```

Once we close the `environment` (with `\end{mathstructure}`), the `symbols` are “gone”. However, we now have a new `symbol` “magma” with `semantic macro` `\magma`. It’s usage is somewhat more complicated than “normal” `semantic macros`, but one thing we *can* do with it now is $\magma!$, which will produce $\langle U, \circ \rangle$.

Notably however, the `\magma` `macro` is already available *within* the `mathstructure environment` as well.

This allows us to provide an `sdefinition` using the `semantic macros` declared in the `structure`:

Example 11

Input:

```
File [sTeX/MathTutorial]algebra/Magma.en.tex
7 \begin{mathstructure}{magma}
8 \symdef{univ}[name=universe,type=\collection]{U}
9 \symdef{op}[name=operation,args=a,assoc=bin,
10 type=\funspace{\univ,\univ}\univ
11 {\argsep{#1}{\mathbin{\maincomp{\circ}}}]
12
13 \begin{sdefinition}[for={magma,univ,op}]
14 A \definame{magma} is a \sr{mathstruct}{structure}  $\magma!$ ,
15 where  $\univ$  is a \sn{collection} and  $\op!$ 
16 a binary operation  $\funspace{\univ,\univ}\univ$ .
17 \end{sdefinition}
18 \end{mathstructure}
```

Output:

Definition 10.1.2. A **magma** is a structure $\langle U, \circ \rangle$, where U is a `collection` and \circ a binary operation $U \times U \rightarrow U$.

10.1.1 Instantiating Structures

More importantly however, we can now declare a `variable` `magma`, using the optional `return=` argument. For example, we can now do

```
\vardef{vM}[name=M,return=\magma]{M}
```

and we get the semantic macro `\vM` with which we can do the following:

Syntax	Result
<code>\vM!</code>	M
<code>\vM{}</code>	$\langle U_M, \circ_M \rangle$
<code>\vM{univ}</code>	U_M
<code>\vM{op}!</code>	\circ_M
<code>\vM{op}{a,b,c}</code>	$a \circ_M b \circ_M c$

In other words: Given a [symbol](#) or [variable](#) with [semantic macro](#) `\foo` and `return=\struct`, then `\foo{<fn>}` behaves like the [semantic macro](#) `\fn` *within* the [mathstructure environment](#) for `struct` – but instantiated for the specific instance `foo`.

By default, [L^AT_EX](#) attaches the [symbol's](#) (or [variable's](#)) [operator notation](#) as a subscript suffix to the notation component marked with `\maincomp` – e.g., since the “`\circ`” in the [notation](#) for `op` is marked with `\maincomp`, doing `\vM{op}{a,b}` ultimately outputs a `\circ_{\vM!}` `b`. Hence, we get $a \circ_M b$.

We can change the way the `\maincomp` notation component is modified, by using the optional argument `comp=` in the [semantic macro](#) for the [mathematical structure](#). For example, to not change it at all, we can do:

```
\vardef{vM}[name=M,return={\magma[comp=##1]}]{M}
```

...or to suffix it with a `'`, we can do

```
\vardef{vMp}[name=Mp,return={\magma[comp=##1']}] {M'}
```

This allows us to do things like:

```
Let \vM! := \vM{}$ and \vMp! := \vMp{}$ \sns{magma}. Then...
```

yielding

Let $M := \langle U, \circ \rangle$ and $M' := \langle U', \circ' \rangle$ magmas. Then...

We can also *assign* fields to (arbitrary) expressions, by doing `name=<tex>` in square brackets. For example we can do the following:

```
\vardef{vA}[type=\collection]{A}
\vardef{vM}[name=M,return={\magma[comp=##1][univ=\vA]}]{M}
\vardef{vMp}[name=Mp,return={\magma[comp={##1}']][univ=\vA]}]{M'}
```

```
Let \vM! := \vM{}$ and \vMp! := \vMp{}$ \sns{magma} on \vA$...
```

Let $M := \langle A, \circ \rangle$ and $M' := \langle A, \circ' \rangle$ magmas.

Of course, we can also use `return=` with [variable](#) sequences – for example:

```
\varseq{vMs}[name=M,return={\magma[comp={##1}_{##1]},op=(M_i)_1^n}
{1,\ellipses,n}{\maincomp{M}_{##1}}]
```

```
Let \vMs! := \vMs{i}_{1^n}$ a sequence of \sns{magma}...
```

Let $(M_i)_1^n := \langle U_i, \circ_i \rangle_1^n$ a sequence of `magnas`...

Note that in the above, it seems that using `#1` in the `return` argument is allowed. Indeed, it is - the `return` statement takes the same arguments as the `semantic macro` itself does and is appropriately instantiated. Since the first (and only) argument to the sequence `\vMs` is the index, when doing `\vMs{i}...` the `#1` in the `return`-statement will be replaced by `i`.

Also, note that if we want to produce M_i - i.e. the `magma` at index i in the sequence, we can do `\vMs{i}!`.



Think of the `!` as a “stop sign” - if the expression up to the `!` has an associated presentation, the `!` tells `STEX` to “stop eating arguments” and present whatever it has until now.

10.2 Extending Structures and Axioms

It is extremely common to “build up” `structures` in a hierarchical manner by adding new fields or axioms: A *semigroup* is an associative magma. A *band* is an idempotent semigroup. A *monoid* is a semigroup with a unit. A *partial order* is an antisymmetric preorder.

We alluded to the fact earlier, that the `mathstructure environment` behaves like an `smodule` - that is literally true: Every `mathstructure foo` in a `module FooMod` is in fact also a `module ?FooMod/foo-module`. We can therefore easily extend `structures` using `\importmodule{...?FooMod/foo-module}` - but extending `structures` is so common, and using `\importmodule` tiring, that there is a shortcut: the `extstructure environment`. It takes as second argument a comma-separated list of `structure` names. That allows us to easily define `semigroups`:

Example 12

Input:

```

File [sTeX/MathTutorial]algebra/Semigroup.en.tex
8  \begin{extstructure}{semigroup}{magma}
9  \begin{sdefinition}
10 A \definame{semigroup} is a \sn{magma} $\semigroup!$,
11   where \inlineass[name=associative axiom]{
12     \conclusion{\isassociative{$\op!$}}.
13   }
14 \end{sdefinition}
15 \end{extstructure}

```

Output:

Definition 10.2.1. A `semigroup` is a `magma` $\langle U, \circ \rangle$, where \circ is `associative`.

Note our usage of `\inlineass` to generate a new symbol for the associative axiom.

If we look at the OMDoc tab in the HTML preview window, we can see the output in Figure 10.1.

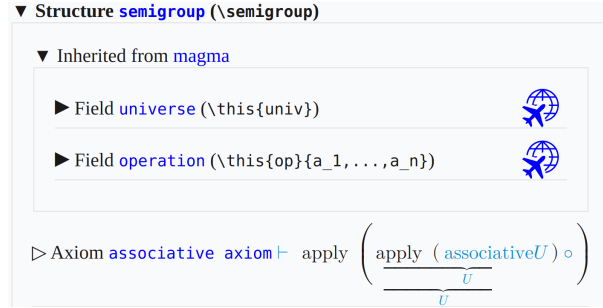


Figure 10.1: Axioms in OMDoc

So MMT has decided that our statement is an *axiom*.

10.2.1 Conservative Extensions

For structures, there is a *critical* distinction between *defined* and *undefined symbols*; and analogously between *theorems* and *axioms*.

Remember that structures are more like *templates* that are *instantiated* by particular objects. An *undefined* field in a structure, in that sense, is like an *obligation*: If something is supposed to be a semigroup, it *has* to have a universe, an operation and the operation needs to satisfy the associative axiom.

Defined fields on the other hand have a *definiens* on the basis of the remaining fields – they don’t need to be explicitly provided for something to instantiate the structure; if all the *undefined* fields are provided, the *defined* ones we get “for free”.

The same holds for *theorems*: If a statement is *provable* from the axioms, then we don’t need to explicitly prove it to hold for some particular instance – we have a proof already, provided the axioms hold.

The relation between axioms and theorems is not just analogous to that between undefined and defined symbols: It is the very same. Remember the judgments as types paradigm?

STEX For a proposition P , an assertion in **STEX** induces a symbol of type $\vdash P$. Without a proof, this symbol is *undefined* – and hence an *axiom*. A *proof* for P is a specific term of type $\vdash P$ – i.e. a potential *definiens*. To prove an assertion turns it into a *theorem*, which is to say that the symbol can be *defined*.

One consequence of this is: Extending a structure only by *defined* fields does not actually (conceptually) introduce a *new structure* – every instance of the old one *should* also be an instance of the new one. The new fields are basically just “syntactic sugar”.

There is a name for extending a `structure` only by defined fields (or theorems): A *conservative extension*.

`TeX` provides the `extstructure*` environment for that purpose. Unlike `extstructure`, it does *not* take a name (technically, `TeX` generates one internally). Instead, conceptually `extstructure*` modifies the extended `structure` directly, rather than generating a new `structure`. The caveat however is, that every `symbol` introduced in an `extstructure*` **must** be defined.

Consider the following conservative extension:

Example 13

Input:

```

File [sTeX/MathTutorial]algebra/MagmaSquare.en.tex
7  \begin{extstructure*}{magma}
8  \begin{sdefinition}[macro=sq, args=1]
9    \notation{sq}[op=\cdot^2]{\#1}^{\comp 2}
10   \vardef{va}[name=a, type=\univ, bind]{a}
11   Let  $\inset{va}{\univ}$ . We define
12    $\defnotation{\sq{va}} := \definiens{\op{va, va}}$ .
13   \end{sdefinition}
14   \end{extstructure*}

```

Output:

Definition 10.2.2. Let $a \in U$. We define $a^2 := a \circ a$.

Via `\definiens`, the new `symbol` `sq` is now *defined* (note the `macro=` argument, `taht` generates a `semantic macro` as well). Whenever we import the containing `module`, we now have an additional field `sq` in (any extension of) `magma` – e.g., the following is now valid:

```

\usemodule[sTeX/MathTutorial]{algebra?MagmaSquare}
\vardef{vsg}[name=S, return=\semigroup]{S}
 $\vsg{sq}{a}$ 

```

...producing a^2 .

10.3 Nesting Structures and `\this`

A perhaps not too surprising, but a notable aspect of `structures` is that fields themselves can be instances. This is important for example for implementing *vector spaces*, but can also be used to bundle things that are not normally thought of as `structures`, such as objects with certain defining properties.

Take as an example, the notion of a (magma) *homomorphism*:

Definition 10.3.1. Let $M_1 = \langle U_1, \circ_1 \rangle$ and $M_2 = \langle U_2, \circ_2 \rangle$ magmas. A **magma homomorphism** is a function $F : U_1 \rightarrow U_2$ such that $F(a \circ_1 b) = F(a) \circ_2 F(b)$ for all $a, b \in U_1$.

So a **homomorphism** is a **function** with certain properties. And **structures** can be used to “bundle” the **function** itself with both the **magmas** on whose universes the **function** operates, as well as the *axiom* that *makes* it a **homomorphism**. After all, considered as a mere **function**, $F : U_1 \rightarrow U_2$ contains no information about the operation with respect to which it is homomorphic.

The first thing to note is that we can provide **mathstructure** with an optional argument for a *name* distinct from the name of its **semantic macro**. We then add two fields that **return magmas**. So far, so unexciting:

```
\begin{mathstructure}{magmahom}[magma homomorphism]
  \syndef{dom}[name=domain,return={\magma[comp={##1}_1]}]{M_1}
  \syndef{cod}[name=codomain,return={\magma[comp={##1}_2]}]{M_2}
```

For the **function** itself, we know how to give it a meaningful **type**, already:

```
\syndef{f}[type=\funspace{\dom{univ}}{\cod{univ}},args=1]{???
```

...but what should its **notation** be? Ideally we would want it to just be the **notation** of whatever particular instance it is – in informal mathematics, we rarely distinguish notationally between a **homomorphism** and its underlying **function** (to the point where it’s not clear, whether *informally* the distinction is even meaningful). Similarly, we rarely distinguish e.g. between a **magma** (or semigroup, monoid, group, ring, vector space,...) and its underlying universe.

This is where `\this` comes into play (pun intended). Within an **mathstructure** or **exstructure**, or in the context of a particular instance of one, `\this` represents “the” instance.

We can set it in the context of **mathstructure** as a further optional argument; e.g.

```
\begin{mathstructure}{magmahom}[magma homomorphism,this=F]
```

and then use `\this` in the **notation** for the **function**. We can further provide the **homomorphism condition** as an axiom using `\inlineass`:

Example 14

Input:

```

File [sTeX/MathTutorial]algebra/Homomorphism.en.tex
9 \begin{mathstructure}{magmahom}[magma homomorphism,this=F]
10 \symdef{dom}[name=domain,return={\magma[comp={##1}_1]}]{M_1}
11 \symdef{cod}[name=codomain,return={\magma[comp={##1}_2]}]{M_2}
12 \symdef{f}[op=\this,args=1,
13 type=\funspace{\dom{univ}}{\cod{univ}}
14 ]{\this \dobrackets{#1}}
15
16 \begin{sdefinition}[for={magmahom,dom,cod,f}]
17 \vardef{va}[name=a,type=\dom{univ}]{a}
18 \vardef{vb}[name=b,type=\dom{univ}]{b}
19 Let  $\mathit{dom}!=\mathit{dom}$  and  $\mathit{cod}!=\mathit{cod}$  \sns{magma}.
20 A \definame{magmahom} is a function
21  $\mathit{fun}\{\mathit{f}\}\{\mathit{dom}\{\mathit{univ}\}\}\{\mathit{cod}\{\mathit{univ}\}\}$  such that
22 \inlineass[name=homomorphism condition]{\conclusion{\forallal{
23 \arg[2]{\eq{
24 \mathit{f}\{\mathit{dom}\{\mathit{op}\}\{\mathit{va},\mathit{vb}\}\}, \mathit{cod}\{\mathit{op}\}\{\mathit{f}\{\mathit{va}\},\mathit{f}\{\mathit{vb}\}\}
25 }}\mathit{comp}\{for\ all\}\ \mathit{arg}[1]{\inset{\mathit{va},\mathit{vb}}{\mathit{dom}\{\mathit{univ}\}\}}}.
26 }}}
27 \end{sdefinition}
28 \end{mathstructure}

```

Output:

Definition 10.3.2. Let $M_1 = \langle U_1, \circ_1 \rangle$ and $M_2 = \langle U_2, \circ_2 \rangle$ magmas. A **magma homomorphism** is a function $F : U_1 \rightarrow U_2$ such that $F(a \circ_1 b) = F(a) \circ_2 F(b)$ for all $a, b \in U_1$.

Now if we instantiate our magma homomorphism:

```
\vardef{vh}[name=H,return={\magmahom[this=H]}]{H}
```

Here is a list of what we can do now:

Syntax	Result
vh	H
$\mathit{vh}\{\}$	$\langle M_1, M_2, H \rangle$
$\mathit{vh}\{\mathit{f}\}!$	H
$\mathit{vh}\{\mathit{f}\}\{\mathit{a}\}$	$H(a)$
$\mathit{vh}\{\mathit{dom}\}!$	M_1
$\mathit{vh}\{\mathit{cod}\}\{\}$	$\langle U_2, \circ_2 \rangle$
$\mathit{vh}\{\mathit{cod}\}\{\mathit{univ}\}$	U_2
$\mathit{vh}\{\mathit{dom}\}\{\mathit{op}\}!$	\circ_1
$\mathit{vh}\{\mathit{cod}\}\{\mathit{op}\}\{\mathit{a},\mathit{b},\mathit{c}\}$	$a \circ_2 b \circ_2 c$

Note how – as one would expect – we can treat $\mathit{vh}\{\mathit{dom}\}$ and $\mathit{vh}\{\mathit{cod}\}$ like any other instance of magma.

Note that some of the outputs in the above table are probably not quite what we want. Determining the precise typesetting of an expression involving *nested paths* of fields is difficult, to say the least (e.g., what exactly should `\this` refer to in a deeply nested sequence of fields?).

Using instances within *structures* is still very useful; at the very least when defining *structures*. When subsequently *using structures*, however, accessing fields of fields (of fields (of ...)) of an instance should be avoided.



Luckily, there is rarely a need for doing so – in practice, those fields we might want to access in such a way, we usually also want to provide specific *notations* and talk about independently of the “containing” instance, such that introducing a new *variable* (or *symbol*), and assigning the corresponding field to that *variable*, makes considerably more sense. And subsequently using the *variable* is easier than concatenating `{...}`, too.

Chapter 11

Complex Inheritance and Theory Morphisms



We are starting to approach seriously experimental territory.

While the theory behind all the following is relatively well understood, and their implementation in [MMT](#) is mature, the same can not be said out the implementation in [sTeX](#).

There are still kinks to be ironed out, but feel free to experiment.

We now have all the tools available to progress towards something more interesting. Here is a list of documents with respective [modules](#) and [symbols](#) we will build on in the following:

[sTeX/MathTutorial]props/Idempotent.en.tex

Definition 11.0.1. Let $e \in A$ and $\circ : A \times A \rightarrow A$. e is called **idempotent** with respect to \circ , if $e \circ e = e$.

Definition 11.0.2. The operation $\circ : A \times A \rightarrow A$ is called **idempotent**, if every element $a \in A$ is **idempotent** with respect to \circ .

[sTeX/MathTutorial]props/Distributive.en.tex

Definition 11.0.3. Let $\odot : B \times A \rightarrow A$ and $\oplus : A \times A \rightarrow A$. We say \odot **distributes over** \oplus , if $b \odot (a_1 \oplus a_2) = (b \odot a_1) \oplus (b \odot a_2)$ for all $a_1, a_2 \in A$ and $b \in B$.

[sTeX/MathTutorial]props/Absorption.en.tex

Definition 11.0.4. Let $\odot : A \times B \rightarrow A$ and $\oplus : A \times B \rightarrow B$. We say \odot **absorbs**

\oplus , if $a_1 \odot (a_1 \oplus b) = a_1$ for all $a_1 \in A$ and $b \in B$.

[sTeX/MathTutorial]algebra/Band.en.tex

Definition 11.0.5. A **band** is an **idempotent semigroup**.

[sTeX/MathTutorial]algebra/Semilattice.en.tex

Definition 11.0.6. A **semilattice** is a **commutative band**.

[sTeX/MathTutorial]props/Reflexive.en.tex

Definition 11.0.7. A binary relation R on A is called **reflexive**, if $R(a, a)$ for all $a \in A$.

[sTeX/MathTutorial]props/Symmetric.en.tex

Definition 11.0.8. A binary relation R on A is called **symmetric**, if $R(a, b)$ implies $R(b, a)$ for all $a, b \in A$.

[sTeX/MathTutorial]props/Transitive.en.tex

Definition 11.0.9. A binary relation R on A is called **transitive**, if $R(a, b)$ and $R(b, c)$ implies $R(a, c)$ for all $a, b, c \in A$.

[sTeX/MathTutorial]props/Antisymmetric.en.tex

Definition 11.0.10. A binary relation R on A is called **antisymmetric**, if $R(a, b)$ and $R(b, a)$ implies $a = b$ for all $a, b \in A$.

[sTeX/MathTutorial]orders/Graph.en.tex

Definition 11.0.11. A **directed graph** is a **structure** $\langle U, R \rangle$, where U is a **collection** and R a binary relation on U .

Definition 11.0.12. An **(undirected) graph** is a **directed graph** $\langle U, R \rangle$, where R is **symmetric**.

[sTeX/MathTutorial]orders/Preorder.en.tex

Definition 11.0.13. A **structure** $\langle U, \leq \rangle$ is called a **preorder** (or **quasiorder**, or **preordered set**; in short **proset**), if \leq is **reflexive** and **transitive**.

[sTeX/MathTutorial]orders/Poset.en.tex

Definition 11.0.14. A preorder $\langle U, \leq \rangle$ is called a **partial order** (or **poset**), if \leq is **antisymmetric**.

[sTeX/MathTutorial]orders/InfSup.en.tex

Definition 11.0.15. Let $\langle U, \leq \rangle$ a **poset**. An element $a \in U$ is called an **infimum** or **greatest lower bound** of x_1 and x_2 , if $a \leq x_1$, $a \leq x_2$, and for any x with $x \leq x_1$ and $x \leq x_2$, we have $x \leq a$.

Definition 11.0.16. Let $\langle U, \leq \rangle$ a **poset**. An element $a \in U$ is called a **supremum** or **least upper bound** of x_1 and x_2 , if $x_1 \leq a$, $x_2 \leq a$, and for any x with $x_1 \leq x$ and $x_2 \leq x$, we have $a \leq x$.



Note that **infima** and **suprema** are more generally defined on *sets* of elements. Doing so in **sTeX** is significantly more complicated *for now*, and will require some amount of research to make convenient – especially if we want to subsequently define *operators* on pairs of elements, as below. We therefore opt for the simpler version where it is defined as binary from the get go.

[sTeX/MathTutorial]orders/MeetJoinSemilattice.en.tex

Definition 11.0.17. A **poset** $\langle U, \leq \rangle$ is called a **meet semilattice** if for every two elements a, b the **infimum** $a \wedge b$ exists.

Definition 11.0.18. A **poset** $\langle U, \leq \rangle$ is called a **join semilattice** if for every two elements a, b the **supremum** $a \vee b$ exists.

Definition 11.0.19. An **(order) semilattice** is a **meet** and **join semilattice**.

Exercise

Try to implement all of the above yourself!

11.1 Glueing Structures Together

We now want to progress towards **lattices**, i.e. the following:

Definition 11.1.1. A **lattice** is a **structure** $\langle U, \wedge, \vee \rangle$ such that $\langle U, \wedge \rangle$ and $\langle U, \vee \rangle$ are **semilattices**, and \vee **absorbs** \wedge and vice versa; i.e. $a \vee (a \wedge b) = a$ and $a \wedge (a \vee b) = a$. The operations \wedge and \vee are called **meet** and **join**, respectively.

So we make a new **module**, open an **extstructure environment** and... realize two problems:

1. We can't just extend **semilattice**: We need *two* copies of **semilattice** that share a universe, and importing **semilattice** twice is of course redundant.
2. We also want to *rename* the operations of the two **semilattices** to be subsequently called **join** and **meet**.

What we need is a way to *inherit* from **semilattice** while a) *modifying* the **symbols** therein, and b) not be **idempotent** – i.e. two imports from the same **structure** or **module** should not be identified. We can do that with the **\copymod macro**, which takes three arguments:

1. A *name* for the copy,
2. the **structure** or **module** to copy, and
3. a comma-separated list of renamings and redefinitions of the **symbol**. $\langle symbol \rangle = \langle def \rangle$ redefines $\langle symbol \rangle$, $\langle symbol \rangle @ \langle newname \rangle$ renames it, $\langle symbol \rangle = \langle def \rangle @ \langle newname \rangle$ (or $\langle symbol \rangle @ \langle newname \rangle = \langle def \rangle$) does both.

In our case, we want two copies of **semilattice**, which we will call **meets1** and **joins1**. In the first copy, we only want to rename **op** to **meet**. In the second, we want to rename **op** to **join**, and *also* redefine the universe to be the one from **meets1**:

```
\copymod{meets1}{semilattice}{
  op @ meet
}
\copymod{joins1}{semilattice}{
  univ = \univ,
  op @ join
}
```

You might have already noticed some problem with that – which of the two universes does **\univ** refer to now? (They are *defined* as equal, but **L^AT_EX** does not know that!) Or which of the two **commutative axioms** does “**commutative axiom**” refer to now? Everything is ambiguous now!

Not really - if you have wondered why the **\copymod** takes a *name* as argument: The name is prefixed to every **symbol** name. Hence, the **universe** in **joins1** is now called **joins1/universe**, and the one in **meets1** is called **meets1/universe**. Furthermore, **\copymod** by default generates no **semantic macros** for any of the imported **symbols** – except for those renamed with **@**. In fact, what the **@** syntax actually does, is to generate a **semantic macro** by that name. If we want to change the *name* (that is shown when using **\symname** et al), we add that new name in square brackets. Hence, what we really want to do is:

```

\copymod{meetsl}{semilattice}{
  univ @ univ,
  op @ [meet]meet
}
\copymod{joinsl}{semilattice}{
  univ = \univ,
  op @ [join]join
}

```

This now gives us two copies of `semilattice`, generates semantic macros `\univ` for `meetsl/universe`, `\meet` for `meetsl/op` and `\join` for `joinsl/op`, and renames `meetsl/op` to `meet` and `joinsl/op` to `join`.

That allows us to then add the `absorption` axioms, an `sdefinition` for `lattice` and subsequently `!\lattice!` produces $\langle U, \wedge, \vee \rangle$, with all axioms inherited (see [sTeX/MathTutorial]algebra/Lattice.en.tex).

11.2 Realizations

A very common situation we find in connection with `mathematical structures` is that “every *this* is a *that*” (or the concrete case “*this* is a *that*”).

With what we did so far, we are in this situation regarding the algebraic definition of `semilattices` and the order-theoretic one (exemplary `meet semilattice`).

In `MMT` parlance, this corresponds to a `total (implicit) theory morphism` from “that” to “this”.

In `sTeX` words, we want to inherit from “that” by assigning all the `symbols` in “that” to concrete terms. In our case:

[sTeX/MathTutorial]algebra/SemiLatticeOrder.en.tex

Definition 11.2.1. Let $\langle U, \circ \rangle$ a `semilattice`. We let $a \leq b$ iff $a \circ b = a$.

Theorem 11.2.2. $\langle U, \leq \rangle$ is a `meet semilattice`.

Proof: We need to prove the following

reflexivity $a \leq a$: We need to show $a \circ a = a$. Follows from the `idempotent axiom`.

antisymmetry $a \leq b$ and $b \leq a$ implies $a = b$: Assume $a \circ b = a$ and $b \circ a = b = a \circ b$ (by the `commutative axiom`). Hence, $a = b$

transitivity If $a \leq b$ and $b \leq c$, then $a \leq c$. : Assume $a \circ b = a$ and $b \circ c = b$. Then $a \circ c = (a \circ b) \circ c = a \circ (b \circ c) = a \circ b = a$. Hence, $a \leq c$.

$a \circ b$ is the infimum of $\{a, b\}$: By definition (and the `commutative axiom`), $a \circ b \leq a$ and $a \circ b \leq b$. We need to show, that if $x \leq a$ and $x \leq b$, then $x \leq a \circ b$. Assume $x \circ a = x$ and $x \circ b = x$. Then $x \circ (a \circ b) = (x \circ a) \circ b = x \circ b = x$. Hence $x \leq a \circ b$

So to be precise, we want to provide *definiencia* for all undefined `symbols` in `meet semilattice` (i.e. the `relation` and `meet`) and *proofs* for all *axioms* (`reflexive axiom`, `antisymmetric axiom`, `transitive axiom`, and `infimum axiom`), and by so obtain the fact that every `semilattice` is a `meet semilattice`.

For that purpose, we have the `\realize` macro. It behaves like `\copymod`, but does not take a name, and additionally requires that all undefined fields get assigned. So we could do the following:

Example 15

Input:

```

File [sTeX/MathTutorial]algebra/SemiLatticeOrder1.en.tex
8  \begin{extstructure*}{semilattice}
9  \realize{meetsl}{
10  univ = \univ,
11  meet = \op!,
12  rel @ [order]order = \map{a,b}{\eq{\op{a,b},a}},
13  reflexive axiom = trivial,
14  transitive axiom = trivial,
15  antisymmetric axiom = trivial,
16  infimum axiom = trivial
17  }
18  \end{extstructure*}
19
20 \vardef{mysl}[return=\semilattice]{S}
21 $\mysl{order}{a,b} \quad \mysl{}[univ,op,order]$

```

Output:

$$a \leq_S b \quad \langle U_S, \circ_S, \leq_S \rangle$$

As we can see, we can now access the field `order`, which is renamed from `relation` in `meet semilattice` and also has the desired definiens in `MMT`. But of course this approach is very “declarative”: We do all the assigning in one `macro`, rather than narratively as what they *should* be: definitions and proofs.

If we want to achieve the more narrative version at the beginning of the section, we can use the `realization environment` instead. It behaves like the `\realize` macro, but allows us to do the assignments and renamings individually somewhere in the body of the `environment`, interleaved with arbitrary text. Additionally, within the `environment`, all `STEX` features that introduce *definiencia* (like the `\definiens` macro) induce assignments instead.

To declaratively rename or assign fields, we can then use the `\assign` and `\renamedecl` macros instead. That allows us to do the following instead:

```

\begin{realization}{meetsl}
  \assign{univ}{\univ}
  \assign{meet}{\op!}
  \renamedecl{rel}[order]{order}
  ...

```

...and then use text to do the remaining assignments. For example, we can use the `sdefinition environment` to assign `rel` to the desired definiens:

```

\usestructure{meetsl}
\begin{sdefinition}[for=order]

```

```

\varbind{va,vb}
Let  $\$ \backslash semilattice! [univ,op] \$ a \backslash sn\{semilattice\}$ .
We let  $\$ \backslash rel\{va,vb\} \$$ 
iff  $\$ \backslash definiens\{\backslash eq\{\backslash op\{va,vb\}, va\}\} \$$ .
\end{sdefinition}

```

And now $\text{\texttt{STEX}}$ will use the $\backslash definiens$ to assign $a, b \mapsto a \circ b = a$ to the relation of meet $semilattice$.

Analogously, we can use the $sproof$ and $subproof$ environments to produce “definitia” (i.e. proofs) for the axioms (see `[sTeX/MathTutorial]algebra/SemiLatticeOrder.en.tex`)

Part III

Extensions for Education

The last two parts have shown generic markup and semantization facilities in [sTeX](#). As said before, investments in semantic markup pay off, iff the impact of a document is high, e.g. if there are many more readers than authors or if the semantic services afforded by the semantic markup can help reduce the help readers need to understand the material.

Educational documents constitute one category of high-impact documents which are supported by the [sTeX](#) ecosystem, we will cover them here.

Chapter 12

Slides and Course Notes

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¹TODO: notesslides.sty

Chapter 13

Problems and Exercises

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¹TODO: problem.sty

Chapter 14

Exams

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