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# Unit.sty – small macros for scientific documents

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## 1 Introduction

This style file is a collection of small macros for writing documents including mathematical and physical formulae.

## 2 The Macros

### 2.1 Units

Symbols for units should be printed in a roman type in order to avoid possible confusion with physical quantities which are to be printed in an italic type. For example,

$$M = 3.5 \text{ Mg}, \quad V = h\nu = 24 \text{ ml}, \quad f = 1/T = 4.5 \text{ THz}$$

In the  $\text{T}_{\text{E}}\text{X}$  math mode, however, all characters are printed in an italic type unless indicated otherwise. For example, simple typing `$m=10 kg$` gives a wrong result:  $m = 10kg$ . You should type as `$m=10\, \mathrm{kg}$` and get  $m = 10 \text{ kg}$  correctly. The macro `\U` is basically an abbreviation for `\mathrm`.

`\U` `\U{unit}`

By simply typing `$10\, \U{kg}$` in the math mode, you will have 10 kg. In *unit*, you can use `0` and `u` instead of `\Omega` and `\mu`, respectively. Thus, `1.5\, \U{k0}` and `2.1\, \U{uA}` give 1.5 k $\Omega$  and 2.1  $\mu\text{A}$ , respectively. (Use `\O` and `\u` for “O” and “u”; `10\, \U{\O e}` gives 10 Oe.)

```
1 \def\U#1{ {%
2 \def\0{\mbox{0}}
3 \def\u{\mbox{u}}
4 \mathcode'\u=\mu
5 \mathcode'\0=\Omega
6 \mathrm{#1}}}
```

`\degree` A small circle for the units of temperature and angles. `t=34\, \U{\degree C}` gives  $t = 34^\circ\text{C}$ .

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7 \def\degree{\mbox{\textcircled{}}}
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## 2.2 Literals

Literals and operators are recommended to be printed in a roman type. Otherwise a few letters ( $d, e, i, j$ ) will be reserved for the special purposes and cannot be used for variables.

- `\ii` The literal for the imaginary unit  $\sqrt{-1}$ . `\ii` gives  $i$ .  
`8 \def\ii{\mathrm{i}}`
- `\jj` It can also be printed as “ $j$ ” by typing `\jj`. (Electrical engineers are still sticking to this notation for fear of the confusion with  $i$ , which typically represents a current. But “ $i$ ” and “ $i$ ” can well be distinguished.)  
`9 \def\jj{\,\mathrm{j}} % thin space before j`
- `\ee` The base of natural logarithm is just a literal. `\ee^{-x}` gives  $e^{-x}$ .  
`10 \def\ee{\mathrm{e}}`

## 2.3 Operators

- `\dd` The differential operator  $d$  can be typed as `\dd`. `\dd f/\dd t` yields  $df/dt$ . (There may be someone who prefers  $d$  to  $d$ , but how can you express  $dd/dt$  (the time derivative of a variable  $d$ )?)  
`11 \def\dd{\mathrm{d}}`
- `\Re` The real part of a complex number. `\Re z = (z + \cc)/2` gives  $\operatorname{Re} z = (z + c.c.)/2$ .  
`12 \def\Re{\mathop{\mathrm{Re}}}`
- `\Im` The imaginary part of a complex number. `\Im z = (z - \cc)/2\ii` gives  $\operatorname{Im} z = (z - c.c.)/2i$ .  
`13 \def\Im{\mathop{\mathrm{Im}}}`
- `\cc` The complex conjugate for the previous term is often referred as  $c.c.$ . `\cos x = (\ee^{jj x} + \cc)/2` gives  $\cos x = (e^{jx} + c.c.)/2$ .  
`14 \def\cc{\mbox{c.c.}}`

## 2.4 Quantum Mechanics

- `\Hc` The hermitian conjugate for the previous term is often written as  $H.c.$ .  
`15 \def\Hc{\mbox{H.c.}}`
- `\bra` `\bra{state}`  
 Dirac’s bra vectors; `\bra{\phi}` yields  $\langle \phi |$ .  
`16 \def\bra#1{\langle #1 |}`
- `\ket` `\ket{state}`  
 Dirac’s ket vectors; `\ket{\phi}` yields  $|\phi\rangle$ .  
`17 \def\ket#1{|\mbox{#1}\rangle}`
- `\bracket` `\bracket{operator}`  
 Expectation value for an operator. `\bracket{A}` yields  $\langle A \rangle$ .  
`18 \def\bracket#1{\langle \mbox{#1} \rangle}`

`\bracketi` `\bracketi{state}{state}`  
 The inner product of two states. `\bracketi{\phi}{\psi}` yields  $\langle\phi|\psi\rangle$ .  
 19 `\def\bracketi#1#2{\langle\mbox{##1}|\mbox{##2}\rangle}`

`\bracketii` `\bracketii{state}{operator}{state}`  
 The matrix element for an operator. `\bracketi{\phi}{A}{\psi}` yields  $\langle\phi|A|\psi\rangle$ .  
 20 `\def\bracketii#1#2#3{\langle\mbox{##1}|\mbox{##2}|\mbox{##3}\rangle}`

## 2.5 Vector Analysis

`\diver` Divergence. `\diver \vct{D}` yields  $\operatorname{div} D$ .  
 21 `\def\diver{\mathop{\mathrm{div}}}`

`\curl` Curl. `\curl\vct{H}` yields  $\operatorname{curl} H$ .  
 22 `\def\curl{\mathop{\mathrm{curl}}}`

`\rot` Rotation. `\rot\vct{E}` yields  $\operatorname{rot} E$ .  
 23 `\def\rot{\mathop{\mathrm{rot}}}`

`\grad` Gradient. `\grad\phi` yields  $\operatorname{grad} \phi$ .  
 24 `\def\grad{\mathop{\mathrm{grad}}}`

## 2.6 Others

`\sub` `\sub{subscript}` Descriptive subscripts should be printed in a roman type.  $k_{\sub{B}}$  for  $k_B$ . (“B” for Boltzmann.)  
 25 `\def\sub#1_{\mbox{\scriptsize#1}}`

`\sur` `\sur{surscript}` Descriptive surscripts should be printed in a roman type.  $F_{\sur{(R)}}$  for  $F^{(R)}$ .  
 26 `\def\sur#1^{\mbox{\scriptsize#1}}`

`\vct` `\vct{letter}` Vectors should be printed in a bold italic type; `\vct{A}` for  $\mathbf{A}$ .  
 27 `\def\vct#1{\mathchoice{\mbox{\boldmath$#1$}}{\mbox{\boldmath$#1$}}{\mbox{\scriptsize\boldmath$#1$}}{\mbox{\scriptsize\boldmath$#1$}}}`  
 28 `\mbox{\scriptsize\boldmath$#1$}`

`\defeq` Define. `\p \defeq mv` yields  $p \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} mv$ .  
 29 `\def\defeq{\stackrel{\text{def}}{=}}`

`\ph` `\ph{variable}` Phasor (private version) `\ph{E}` yields  $\tilde{E}$ .  
 30 `\def\ph#1{\tilde{#1}}` % phasor

`\fracpd` `\fracpd{numerator}{denominator}` Partial derivative. `\displaystyle\fracpd{f}{x}` yields  $\frac{\partial f}{\partial x}$ .  
 31 `\def\fracpd#1#2{\frac{\partial#1}{\partial#2}}`

### 3 Summary

macro	input	output
<code>\U{unit}</code>	<code>F=27\, \U{N/m^2}</code> <code>I=1.3\, \U{uA}</code> <code>R=3.3\, \U{MO}</code> <code>H=1.0\, \U{\0 e}</code>	$F = 27 \text{ N/m}^2$ $I = 1.3 \mu\text{A}$ $R = 3.3 \text{ M}\Omega$ $H = 1.0 \text{ Oe}$
<code>\degree</code>	<code>\theta=180\degree</code>	$\theta = 180^\circ$
<code>\ii</code>	<code>\exp \ii\omega t</code>	$e^{i\omega t}$
<code>\jj</code>	<code>\ee^{\jj\omega t}</code>	$e^{j\omega t}$
<code>\ee</code>	<code>\ee^{\ii\pi}=-1</code>	$e^{i\pi} = -1$
<code>\dd</code>	<code>\int f(x)\dd x</code>	$\int f(x)dx$
<code>\Re, \Im</code>	<code>z = \Re z + \ii \Im z</code>	$z = \text{Re } z + i \text{Im } z$
<code>\cc</code>	<code>\cos x = (\ee^{\ii x}+\cc)/2</code>	$\cos x = (e^{ix} + \text{c.c.})/2$
<code>\bra{st}, \ket{st}</code>	<code>\bra{\phi}, \ket{\psi}</code>	$\langle \phi  ,  \psi \rangle$
<code>\bracket{op}</code>	<code>\bracket{A}</code>	$\langle A \rangle$
<code>\bracketi{st}{st}</code>	<code>\bracketi{\phi}{\psi}</code>	$\langle \phi   \psi \rangle$
<code>\bracketii{st}{op}{st}</code>	<code>\bracketii{\phi}{A}{\psi}</code>	$\langle \phi   A   \psi \rangle$
<code>\diver</code>	<code>\diver\vc{B}=0</code>	$\text{div } \mathbf{B} = 0$
<code>\curl, \rot</code>	<code>\curl\vc{E}=\rot\vc{E}=0</code>	$\text{curl } \mathbf{E} = \text{rot } \mathbf{E} = 0$
<code>\grad</code>	<code>\vc{E}=-\grad\phi</code>	$\mathbf{E} = -\text{grad } \phi$
<code>\sub{subscript}</code>	<code>f\sub{max}, \theta\sub{B}</code>	$f_{\text{max}}, \theta_B$
<code>\sur{surscript}</code>	<code>f\sur{max}, \theta\sur{(R)}</code>	$f^{\text{max}}, \theta^{(R)}$
<code>\vc{letter}</code>	<code>\vc{K}, \vc{\Omega}</code> <code>\ee^{\ii\vc{k}\cdot\vc{x}}</code>	$\mathbf{K}, \boldsymbol{\Omega}$ $e^{i\mathbf{k}\cdot\mathbf{x}}$
<code>\defeq</code>	<code>k_0\defeq \omega_0/c</code>	$k_0 \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \omega_0/c$
<code>\fracpd{numerator}{denominator}</code>	<code>\displaystyle\fracpd{f}{t}</code>	$\frac{\partial f}{\partial t}$
<code>\ph{variable}</code>	<code>\ph{V}\ee^{\ii\nu t}+\cc</code>	$V e^{i\nu t} + \text{c.c.}$