

The delarray package*

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1 Examples

The addition to `array.sty` added in `delarray.sty` is a system of implicit `\left \right` pairs. If you want an array surrounded by parentheses, you can enter:

`\begin{array}({cc}) ...`

$$\begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix}$$

Similarly if an environment equivalent to PLAIN TeX's `\cases` could be defined by:

`\begin{array}\{\{lL\}. ...`

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } x = 0 \\ \sin(x)/x & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

Here L is supposed to denote a column of left aligned L-R text. It may be defined via: `\newcolumnntype{L}{>{\$}l<{\$}}`, as discussed in `array.sty`. Note that as the delimiters must always be used in pairs, the ‘.’ must be used to denote a ‘null delimiter’.

This feature is especially useful if the `[t]` or `[b]` arguments are also used. In these cases the result is not equivalent to surrounding the environment by `\left...\right`, as can be seen from the following example:

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix} \quad \text{not} \quad \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix}$$

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\begin{array}[t]({c}) 1\\2\\3 \end{array}
\begin{array}[c]({c}) 1\\2\\3 \end{array}
\begin{array}[b]({c}) 1\\2\\3 \end{array}
\quad\quad\quad\mbox{not}\quad\quad\quad
\left(\begin{array}[t]{c} 1\\2\\3 \end{array}\right)
\left(\begin{array}[c]{c} 1\\2\\3 \end{array}\right)
\left(\begin{array}[b]{c} 1\\2\\3 \end{array}\right)
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