The \texttt{unimath-plain-xetex} package

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Abstract

\texttt{unimath-plain-xetex} package provides OpenType math font support in \textit{plain TeX} format. The \texttt{unimath-plain-xetex} package needs \texttt{Xe\TeX}.

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1 How to use this package?

Please notice again that you’re using \textit{plain format} but not \texttt{LaTeX} format. If you are using \texttt{LaTeX} format, please use \texttt{unicode-math} package instead.

In your document, write

\input \texttt{unimath-plain-xetex}

Then compile your document with \texttt{xetex}, you can get OpenType math support in your document. The package will set the math font “Latin Modern Math” with “Latin Modern” text fonts in default. To change the font, you can define some names before loading the package. For example,

\begin{verbatim}
\def\mainfontname{TeX Gyre Termes}
\def\sansfontname{TeX Gyre Heros}
\def\monofontname{TeX Gyre Cursors}
\def\mathfontname{TeX Gyre Termes Math}
\input unimath-plain-xetex
\end{verbatim}
Your text fonts will be set in the first 3 lines and your math font will be set in the fourth line.

Currently, the package supports only font family names to use, if you want to use the file names, you can revise the code in `unimath-plain-xetex.tex`.

## 2 Text font commands

The package provides text font commands in the format of

```
⟨pt-size⟩⟨family⟩⟨series⟩⟨shape⟩
```

such as \tensfbfit, \twelvembf, etc. The package provides font commands in size of 5 pt, 7 pt, 9 pt, 10 pt, 12 pt and 20 pt, such as \fiverm, \sevensf, \twelvett, etc.

Take ten point as an example,

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Serif</th>
<th>Upright</th>
<th>Italic</th>
<th>(Sans)</th>
<th>Upright</th>
<th>Italic</th>
<th>(Mono)</th>
<th>Upright</th>
<th>Italic</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Medium</td>
<td>\tenrm</td>
<td>\tenit</td>
<td>Medium</td>
<td>\tensf</td>
<td>\tensfit</td>
<td>Medium</td>
<td>\tentt</td>
<td>\tenttit</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Bold</td>
<td>\tenbf</td>
<td>\tenbfit</td>
<td>Bold</td>
<td>\tensbf</td>
<td>\tensfbfit</td>
<td>Bold</td>
<td>\tenttbf</td>
<td>\tenttbfit</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

The font commands can be used as those provided in `plain.tex`, for example, \{\tenbfit ABC\} yields ABC.

But if you wouldn't like to remember that many commands, you can write

```
\makefontcmdcompatible{⟨pt-size⟩}
```

after loading the package. For example, if you write

```
\makefontcmdcompatible{ten}
```

the ⟨family⟩-⟨series⟩-⟨shape⟩ order of \ten⟨some⟩ commands can be written randomly: writing \tenbf ⟨some⟩ is the same as \tensfbfit.

You can also get more text font commands through the \genfontcmd command:

```
\genfontcmd{⟨pt-size⟩}{⟨dimension⟩}
```

For example,

```
\genfontcmd{fortyfour}{44pt}
\genfontcmd{verytiny}{2bp}
```

will make commands like \fortyfourrm and \verytinysfbfit available.
3 Math font commands

You can input math formulae just like using traditional plain \TeX. But Open-Type math font is loaded. For example, \[ a\{\bf 0\} = \{\bf 0\} \] yields \( a_0 = 0 \). Available math font commands are listed below:
\[ \text{\tt, \cal, \calbf, \bb, \bbit, \frak, \frakbf} \]

The \texttt{family}-\texttt{series}-\texttt{shape} order of these commands allows being random; \texttt{cal} can be replaced by \texttt{scr}.

This package uses \texttt{unicode-math-symbols.tex} to generate math symbol commands, the source file can be found in \texttt{unicode-math} package. To find all of the math symbol commands, you can execute

\texttt{texdoc unimath-symbols}

in Terminal.

You can also input Unicode math characters in your document’s source file. For example,

\textit{Input} \hspace{1cm} \textit{yields}
\[ \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} \int_a^b \rho_i \, d \tau' \]
$\sum_{i=0}^{\infty} \int_a^b \rho_i \, d \tau'$

4 Primes (')

The package changed “'” command in math mode, which yields prime(s) in superscript. After loading this package, the primes produced by “'” will be turned into Unicode primes:

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Input</th>
<th>yields</th>
<th>Unicode slot</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>$'$'</td>
<td>'</td>
<td>U+2032</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>$''$</td>
<td>''</td>
<td>U+2033</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>$'''$</td>
<td>'''</td>
<td>U+2034</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>$''''$</td>
<td>''''</td>
<td>U+2057</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>$'''''$</td>
<td>'''''</td>
<td>(U+2032) × 5</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>:</td>
<td>:</td>
<td>(U+2032) × N</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>(')$N$</td>
<td>(')$N$</td>
<td>(U+2032) × N</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

\(N > 4\)
However, some OpenType math fonts don’t contain some of the characters above. For example, there is no U+2032, U+2033 or U+2034 in Erewhon Math. When using such fonts, you can “turn off” the Unicode primes easily by inputing the following line after loading the package:

```latex
\unicodeprimesoff
```

Then when you input “!’” \(n\) times you will get \(n\) primes, and each prime’s Unicode character slot is U+2032, even when \(n \leq 4\).

If the primes contain more than one single prime encoded U+2032, a negative math skip will inserted between every two single primes. This math skip is defined as \(\texttt{\betweenprimeskip}\) and its default value is \(-2.7\mu\text{m}\), which is proper for Latin Modern Math. To change the value of \(\texttt{\betweenprimeskip}\) is just like change any math skip, for example,

```latex
\betweenprimeskip=-1\mu
```

This line should also be written after loading the package.

### 5 Using multiple math fonts

You can use more than one OpenType math fonts in math mode. This is the method to set multiple math fonts:

```latex
\def\mathalphafontname{⟨font family name⟩}
\def\mathdelimiterfontname{⟨font family name⟩}
\def\mathordfontname{⟨font family name⟩}
\def\mathopfontname{⟨font family name⟩}
\def\mathbinfontname{⟨font family name⟩}
\def\mathaccentfontname{⟨font family name⟩}
```

Such definitions should be written before \texttt{\input} the package. For example,

```latex
\def\mathfontname{XITS Math}
\def\mathalphafontname{TeX Gyre Pagella Math}
\input unimath-plain-xetex
```

Then your math font will be set as XITS Math and the font of variable family (numbers, Latin and Greek letters) will be set as \texttt{T\LaTeX} Gyre Pagella Math.
\texttt{\textbackslash mathalphafontname} will influence the font of numbers (0–9), Latin letters (A–Z, a–z) and Greek letters (\texttt{\textbackslash alpha} and so on).

\texttt{\textbackslash mathdelimiterfontname} will influence the font of math delimiters, including some open symbols, close symbols and some ordinary symbols which can be used as delimiters like \{, \}, \texttt{\textbackslash vert} and so on. Horizontal delimiters (or very long accents) are also influenced by \texttt{\textbackslash mathdelimiterfontname}.

\texttt{\textbackslash mathordfontname} will influence the font of non-delimiter ordinary symbols, punctuations and “!”. For example, “,”, “:” and \texttt{\textbackslash colon}’s font will be influenced by it.

\texttt{\textbackslash mathopfontname} will influence the font of large operators like \texttt{\textbackslash sum}.

\texttt{\textbackslash mathbinfontname} will influence the font of binary operators and relations like “+” and “=”.

\texttt{\textbackslash mathaccentfontname} will influence the font of math accents like \texttt{\textbackslash dot}.