

MATHEMATICAL CONVENTIONS USED IN JSV

Vectors, Tensors and Matrices

- The preferred appearance of vectors, tensors and matrices is **bold upright**.
- Do not use the notation $\text{Det } \mathbf{A}$. The preferred notation is $\det \mathbf{A}$.
- Vector calculus and multiplication:

The symbol Δ for Laplacian operator in 3D should be avoided. Replace with:

∇^2 (3D Laplacian)

Web reference: Eric W. Weisstein. "Laplacian." From MathWorld - A Wolfram Web Resource <http://mathworld.wolfram.com/Laplacian.html>

The symbol \square for Laplacian operator in 4D should be avoided. Replace with:

\square^2 (d'Alembertian operator or 4D Laplacian)

Web reference: Eric W. Weisstein. "d'Alembertian." From MathWorld - A Wolfram Web Resource. <http://mathworld.wolfram.com/dAlembertian.html>

- The notation $\text{rot } \mathbf{A}$, for curl of the vector field \mathbf{A} , should not be used – use $\text{curl } \mathbf{A}$ instead. Divergence may be referred to as $\text{div } \mathbf{A}$.
- For preference, use nabla notation for the divergence and curl operators:
 $\nabla \cdot \mathbf{A}$, $\nabla \times \mathbf{A}$ (not $\nabla \wedge \mathbf{A}$).

Web references:

<http://mathworld.wolfram.com/VectorDerivative.html>

<http://mathworld.wolfram.com/Divergence.html>

<http://mathworld.wolfram.com/Curl.html>

- Spaces either side of \cdot and \times are recommended; likewise in the scalar and vector products: $\mathbf{A} \cdot \mathbf{B}$, $\mathbf{A} \times \mathbf{B}$

Square Root of Minus 1 (Imaginary Numbers): Both i and j (Roman lower case) are acceptable for the imaginary unit (square root of minus one), provided the author is consistent throughout the article.

Real and imaginary part notation

Rather than \Re [the script-R] for real part, authors are asked to use $\text{Re}(\dots)$.

Likewise rather than \Im [the script-I] for imaginary part, authors are asked to use $\text{Im}(\dots)$.

Increments and differentials

The following notation should be used for increments and differentials: Δx , δx , dx . They should appear upright.

Functions and Variables:

- Variables, if represented by one character should be italic, for example, x , λ ; if represented by more than one character they should, in some cases, be roman,
- Variables represented by abbreviations of more than one letter should be upright, for example 'S.D.' for standard deviation.
- Two-letter symbols defining 'dimensionless groups' should be italic, for example: *Re* Reynolds number.
- Multiple letter functions like \cos , \tanh , \log , should be upright.
- JSV style is that **single letter** functions should be in italic. Examples include:
 $\Gamma(x)$ Gamma Function
 $O(x)$, $o(x)$ Order symbols
 $H(x)$, $\delta(x)$ Heaviside unit step function and its derivative (Dirac delta function)

$J_n(x), Y_n(x)$	Bessel, Neumann functions (order n)
$I_n(x), K_n(x)$	Modified Bessel functions
$H_n^{(1)}(x), H_n^{(2)}(x)$	Hankel functions
j_n, y_n , etc.	Spherical Bessel counterparts of the above

Subscripts:

- (i) *Single-letter* subscripts are in general to be italicised, except in special cases.

Examples: x_i, P_R

- (ii) Subscripts formed from *letter symbols* are to retain the format of the original symbol (normally italic). This applies regardless of the number of subscripted symbols.

Examples: A_{ij}, T_{lmn}, S_{AB}

- (iii) Subscripts of two or more letters identifiable as *words or word-abbreviations* should be in roman upright.

Examples: $A_{\text{pipe}}, Z_{\text{local}}, f_{\text{max}}$