

Re: Pronunciation of mathematical symbols

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Stork replied to:

It was a bit kidding but not thought political: just about Greek symbols (which are never pronounced like in Greek and I thought your question was towards it).

Actually, I guess the answer would be, whatever would be considered correct by mathematicians. As far as symbols go, I didn't even think of it, but, now that you mention it, I can probably get the greek from a greek alphabet page. But what I'm really wondering is for symbols that are less obviously greek in their pronunciation.

For example, we all know that π has its little post and lintel symbol, but, if I examine one of the ways to compute a gamma function, I can see that there is a large π like symbol. Is that pronounced π ?

http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Gamma_function

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