

Health Data Science L^AT_EX Template

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 &= \frac{1}{2}\pi r^2
 \end{aligned}
 \tag{2}$$

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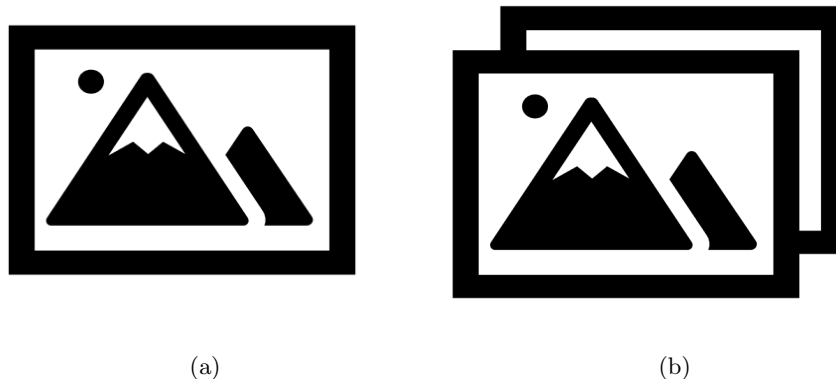


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