GUIDELINES FOR AUTHORS PREPARING MANUSCRIPTS FOR PUBLICATION IN THE SCIENCE JOURNAL OF UNIVERSITY OF ZAKHO (SJUOZ)

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| Bottom | 25 | 1.0 |
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where *c* = constant

 *x*, *y* = target coordinates

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