

What others think

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- 11 You should have a look at Dror Bar-Natan's [academic pensieve](#). It's a really impressive effort to live in the future -- it's both an electronic record of virtually all his 'jottings', and an entirely public one as well. I'm a little less futuristic. I scan all of my notebooks as I finish them (using Berkeley's great high speed PDF scanner), and write an extremely rudimentary index to them. I also number every single page that I write (sometimes the sequence is only approximate, when I have geographically separate notebooks, e.g. office and home). It's great to be able to refer consistently to older sets of notes.

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Does he write these notes on paper and scan them in, or create them electronically (maybe with a tablet)? Do you know? – [Reid Barton](#) Oct 22 at 3:16

In re Bar-Natan's notebooks: wow! – [Charles Rezk](#) Oct 22 at 3:20

They're all done on a tablet. – [Scott Morrison](#) ♦ Oct 22 at 4:02

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