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Thread: [How do I get the X and Y axis of a paragraph?](#)

**mothh** - March 14, 2016, 5:52 am

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**ASDA** - March 14, 2016, 5:56 am

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**mothh** - March 14, 2016, 9:23 am

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**Sakuto** - March 14, 2016, 9:27 am

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**mothh** - March 14, 2016, 9:37 am

(Mar 14, 2016 09:27 AM)Sakuto Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) And why something in DOM should be linked to the PHP?

I have tried it with jQuery already, but you can't get data from jQuery from a PDF file.

**ASDA** - March 14, 2016, 9:39 am

(Mar 14, 2016 09:23 AM)mothh Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) Did you even bother to read the thread?  
how about you don't be a cunt.

yes i did.

the only way you're going to do this is figure out the width and height of your text. yano, unless you decide to use phantomjs or something. you don't have a DOM server side.

**Quad** - March 14, 2016, 9:44 am

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offsetTop and offsetLeft.

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document.getElementById('paragraph').offsetTop;
```

Oops, misread your post.

Not sure how you would go about reading a PDF file programatically. You're probably better off doing all the positioning before you create the PDF.

**Sakuto** - March 14, 2016, 10:08 am

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**mothh** - March 14, 2016, 10:34 am

(Mar 14, 2016 10:08 AM)Sakuto Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) There is no way to do what you want in PHP, just properly define your HTML before converting it into a PDF, or use a better way to do it (template?) I can't, I am using PDFMaker which is a PDF template maker for vtiger CRM, so I have to work with that.

I can't edit the code of the module, I can only add custom function.

I will explain the problem a bit more in depth:

People need to be able to sign a document digitally, this is possible with DocuSign, but in order to get that to work I need the X and Y axis of where the signature is supposed to go.

**mothh** - March 16, 2016, 2:49 am

I am still looking for a way to do this.

I appreciate any help you can give me.