Math whitespace commands and docx output

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Hi there,

Pandoc seems to ignore math commands when the output format is docx (as viewed with LibreOffice 5.2.3.3). For example, the in the following equation is ignored:

$$y=mx+b  (1)$$

Y otra ecuación sin el espacio qquad para cotejar diferencias:

$$y=mx+b(1)$$

It works for LaTeX and html output.

This is a simple example: Whitespace is used for many purposes in writing equations.

Is this a bug, or am I missing something? Is there a workaround?

Thanks,

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