CME 211: Lecture 13

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Topics: Introduction to LaTeX

LaTeX

- LaTeX is a document markup language
- HTML is also a document markup language targeting web browsers
- LaTeX targets high quality print documents
- LaTeX commands are also now used to typeset equations on the web

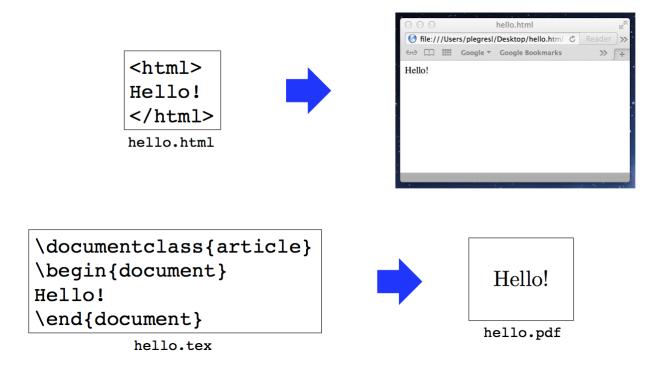


Figure 1: fig

How to obtain

- $\bullet \quad \text{Windows: } \text{http://miktex.org/about} \\$
- Mac OSX: https://tug.org/mactex/
- Ubuntu: \$ sudo apt-get install texlive
- Fedora: \$ sudo yum install texlive-scheme-medium

Note: on Linux distributions, you may have to install other texlive packages to get the full TeXLive distribution. Ubuntu has the package texlive-full. Fedora has the package collection texlive-scheme-full. These are large downloads. Be prepared to wait. Don't install TeX at the last moment!

TeXLive is installed on corn.stanford.edu. The primary access point for CME 211 will be the command line program pdflatex.

Equations in LaTeX

```
\begin{equation}
\int_0^\infty e^{-x^2} dx=\frac{\sqrt{\pi}}{2}
\label{eq:integral}
\end{equation}
to this equation from the text
```

From demo.tex

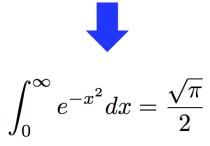


Figure 2: fig

Hello world

See: tex/hello.tex:

\documentclass{article}

\begin{document}

Hello

\end{document}

Typesetting instructions (from this directory):

\$ cd tex

\$ pdflatex hello.tex

This creates hello.pdf.

Document class

Quite a few options:

- article general purpose class for publications, reports, etc.
- proc proceedings
- report longer reports, short books, etc.
- book books

- slides presentation slides
- letter writing letters
- etc.

Various organizations will also distribute customized document classes for various purposes. For example:

- SIAM LaTeX: https://www.siam.org/journals/auth-info.php
- Stanford PhD thesis template: https://library.stanford.edu/research/bibliography-management/latex-and-bibtex

White space

White space is normalized so 1 to n spaces are treated the same

```
\documentclass{article}
\begin{document}
There are lots of spaces here.
\end{document}
```

spaces.tex



There are lots of spaces here.

Figure 3: fig

Paragraphs

Special characters

There are several reserved characters in LaTeX:

Comments

Groups

Pairs of curly brackets denote a group and are typically used to limit the scope of switches:

\documentclass{article}

\begin{document}

Blank line denotes new paragraph

This is the first paragraph.

In this first paragraph we provide an introduction to the document.

After the blank line we start a new paragraph. For the second paragraph we provide

more information about the topic of the document.

\end{document}

paragraphs.tex



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After the blank line we start a new paragraph. For the second paragraph we provide more information about the topic of the document.

Figure 4: fig

\documentclass{article}

\begin{document}

Line starts with % and is all a comment

% This is a comment and will not appear in the rendered document. This is the first line of text that will appear in the document. 84% of statistics are just made up on the spot. This is all being treated Unfortunately I don't think I wrote this correctly. as a comment

If I really want to put a percent symbol in my document I need to escape it. This is almost 90% of the way done.

\end{document}

The % symbol is escaped and actually rendered

comments.tex



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Figure 5: fig

```
\documentclass{article}
\begin{document}
{
\bf This is in bold.

This is also in bold.
}
But this is not in bold.
\end{document}
```



This is in bold.

This is also in bold. But this is not in bold.

groups.tex

Figure 6: fig

Commands

General form of a LaTeX command is

\commandname[option1,option2,...]{argument1}{argument2}...

Command example

```
\documentclass{article}
\begin{document}
Some of this text has been \emph{emphasized}. Other parts have not.
\end{document}
```

emph.tex



Some of this text has been *emphasized*. Other parts have not.

Figure 7: fig

Environments

\begin{environmentname}
Text to be influenced by this environment
\end{environmentname}

\begin{equation}
\int_0^\infty e^{-x^2} dx=\frac{\sqrt{\pi}}{2}
\label{eq:integral}
\end{equation}
to this equation from the text

From demo.tex

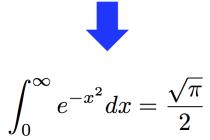


Figure 8: fig

Equation environment

Bulleted list

Latex packages

Many LaTeX environments are defined in packages. To include a package use the \usepackage command in the document preamble. The tex/demo.tex document uses a few:

\usepackage{graphicx}
\usepackage{algorithm2e}

This comes before the \begin{document} command.

- graphicx provides the $\include{optimize}$ command for figures
- algorithm2e provides an environment for displaying algorithms

Figures

Table

Algorithm

Referencing labels

Use \label and \ref:

The first pass of LaTeX will produce an unresolved reference:

The second pass of LaTeX will resolved the reference:

```
\begin{itemize}
\item The first item
\item And the second item
\item etc.
\end{itemize}
```

From demo.tex



- The first item
- And the second item
- etc.

Figure 9: fig

```
\begin{figure}[htb] Placement control (more on this later)
\begin{center}
\includegraphics[width=0.85\linewidth]{mazel.pdf}
\caption{Maze} Scale the image to 85% of
\label{fig:mazel} the line width
\end{center}
\end{figure}
```

From demo.tex

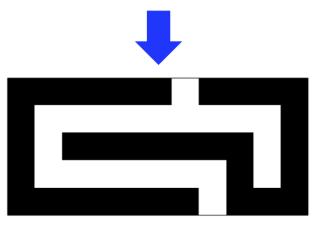


Figure 1: Maze

Figure 10: fig

```
\begin{table} [htb]
\begin{center}
\caption{Dataset Characteristics}
\left( |c|c|c| \right) Three centered columns with vertical lines around them
Dataset number & Reference length & Number of reads \\
                                                          \hline
1
                   100
                                       60
                                                      \\ \hline
                                   &
2
                                                      \\ \hline
               & 1000
                                     600
               & 10000
                                   & 6000
                                                      \\ \hline
\end{tabular}
\label{table:datasets}
\end{center}
\end{table}
```

From demo.tex



Table 1: Dataset Characteristics

Dataset number	Reference length	Number of reads
1	100	60
2	1000	600
3	10000	6000

Figure 11: fig

```
\begin{algorithm}[H]
\SetAlgoLined
\KwData{this document}
\KwResult{how to use \LaTeX2e }
initialization\;
\While{not at end of this document}{
  read current\;
  \eIf{understand}{
    go to next section\;
    current section becomes this one\;
  }{
    go back to the beginning of current section\;
}

\caption{How to read this document}
\end{algorithm}
```

From demo.tex

```
Data: this document
Result: how to use LATEX2e
initialization;
while not at end of this document do

read current;
if understand then

go to next section;
current section becomes this one;
else

go back to the beginning of current section;
end
end
```

Algorithm 1: How to read this document

Figure 12: fig

```
With LaTeX you can create equations as shown in Equation~\ref{eq:integral}:

Reference the equation by label \\begin{equation} \\int_0^\infty e^{-x^2} dx=\frac{\sqrt{\pi}}{2} \\label{eq:integral} \\Give the equation a unique label \\end{equation}
```

From demo.tex

Figure 13: fig

Unresolved reference

formatting. With LaTeX you can create equations as shown in Equation ??:

$$\int_0^\infty e^{-x^2} dx = \frac{\sqrt{\pi}}{2} \tag{1}$$

Figure 14: fig

Resolved reference

formatting. With LaTeX you can create equations as shown in Equation 1:

$$\int_0^\infty e^{-x^2} dx = \frac{\sqrt{\pi}}{2} \tag{1}$$

Figure 15: fig

Controlling placement

- By default figures, tables, etc. will "float" around to where they best fit
- You can also specify preferences about placement
- Floating environments take a parameter in square brackets: \begin{figure}[?]. The options are:
- h for "float here"
- t for "top of page"
- b for "bottom of page"
- H for "put here, don't float"
- Good figure placement often requires some experimentation.
- Advice: write the document first. Make it look nice second. Things will change as you add more text and figures.

BibTex

- Companion program for managing citations of papers, books, websites, etc.
- Start by creating a .bib file

.bib file

See tex/references.bib:

Typesetting with BibTeX reference

This is really annoying!

```
\begin{figure}[htb] Advise placement "here", "top", or
\begin{center} "bottom" in that order
\includegraphics[width=0.85\linewidth]{mazel.pdf}
\caption{Maze}
\label{fig:mazel}
\end{center}
\end{figure}
```

From demo.tex

Figure 16: fig

references.bib

Figure 17: fig

```
$ pdflatex demo
```

- \$ bibtex demo
- \$ pdflatex demo
- \$ pdflatex demo

Many TeX editors do this for you with one button click. See

- TeXShop
- TeXWorks
- TeXMaker

I use a GNU makefile to drive TeX.

Bibliography management

- Any text editor can be used to create, edit, and manage a .bib file
- Some editors will recognize the file extension and enable a BibTex specific mode
- There are also applications specifically for doing this:
- BibDesk (Mac OS X only): http://bibdesk.sourceforge.net
- JabRef (Windows / Mac OS X / Linux): http://jabref.sourceforge.net
- Mendeley: http://www.mendeley.com

Citations

Citation in LaTeX:

From demo.tex

Figure 18: fig

Resulting PDF:

2 Citation Example

If you want to cite a publication, you use the cite command [1].

3 Conclusions

Hope you enjoyed your tour of LATEX. Have a good day!

References

[1] CME211. Final project: Part 1. http://coursework.stanford.edu, November 15, 2013.

From demo.pdf

Figure 19: fig

A note on LaTeX errors

LaTeX will dump error messages and start a prompt on errors:

LaTeX is wanting you to guide the typesetting at this point. I have no idea what to do here. I input a capital X to get back to the shell. I then fix the error in the .tex file. In this case, I forgot \usepackage{graphicx} in the preamble.

LaTeX references

- Google
- Guide to LaTeX by Kopka and Daly: http://proquest.safaribooksonline.com/book/graphic-design/9780321617736
- **Detexify**: a web tool to go from symbol drawing to TeX command: http://detexify.kirelabs.org/classify.html

- LaTeX Wikibook: https://en.wikibooks.org/wiki/LaTeX