

# LaTeX - The Document Preparation System

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## Abstract

A brief introduction to LaTeX.

**Keyword:** LaTeX

## 1 Introduction

LaTeX was first developed in the early 1980s by Leslie Lamport, and it was based on Donald E. Knuth's TeX typesetting language. **(8732314920150101)** Latex is a stable dispersion (emulsion) of polymer microparticles in an aqueous medium. It is found in nature, but synthetic latexes can be made by polymerizing a monomer such as styrene that has been emulsified with surfactants. **(LaTeXWiki)**

## 2 Basic

1. Enum 1  
Hello World
2. Enum 2  
I can eat glass, it doesn't hurt me.

Item I The quick brown fox jumps over the lazy dog.

Item II Foo Bar

## 3 Table

Col 1	Col 2	Col 3
Hello	128	256
World	512	1024

## 4 Formula

1. Sample 1

$$s_N = \sqrt{\frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N (x_i - \bar{x})^2}$$

2. Sample 2

$$f(x;\mu,\sigma) = \frac{1}{\sigma\sqrt{2\pi}}\exp(-\frac{(x-\mu)^2}{2\sigma^2})$$

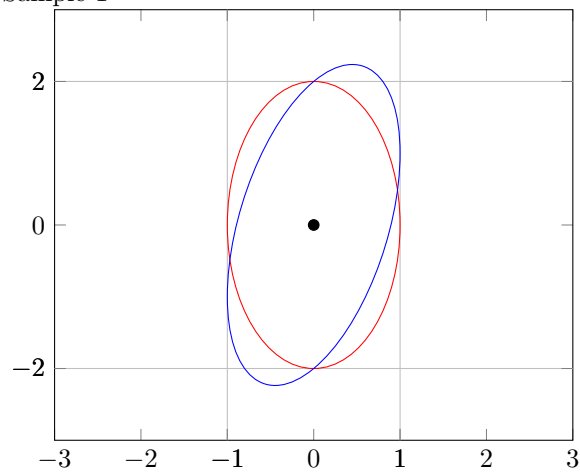
3. Sample 3

$$\hat{f}(\xi) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(x)e^{-2\pi i x \xi}$$

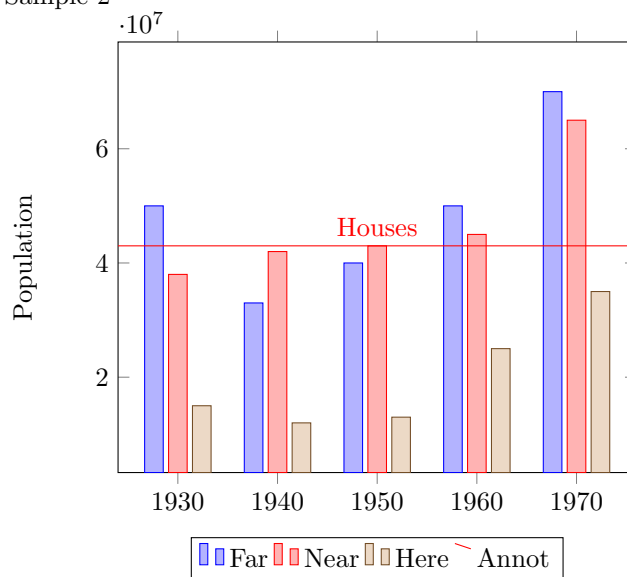
## 5 Chart

There are generally two suggested approaches to generate charts in LaTeX - `pgfplots` and `gnuplot`. `pgfplots` is a package for LaTeX and it's easier to use.

1. Sample 1

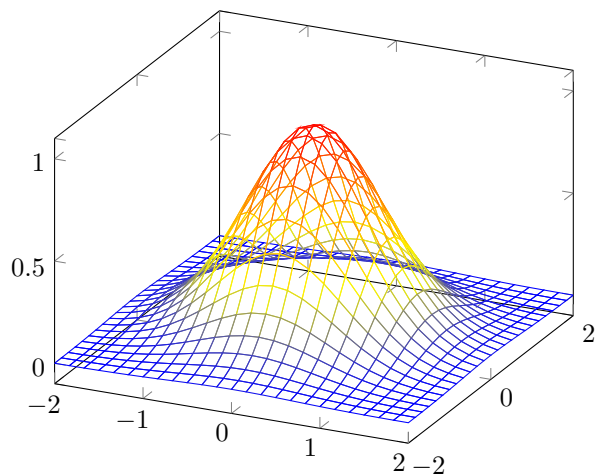


2. Sample 2

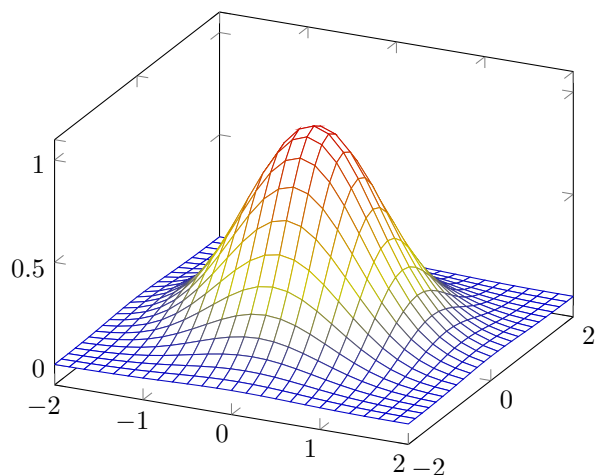


### 3. Sample 3

With background



Without background



## 6 Referencing

The *Harvard Referencing* is preferred in Australia.

We use `biber` and `biblatex` to manage the citations.

Biber is a bibliography information processing program and works in conjunction with the LaTeX package `biblatex` and offers full Unicode support. (**BiberWiki**)

## 7 Pseudo-code

`algorithmicx` is suggested to handle pseudo-codes. To make use of it, we need two packages - `algorithm` and `algpseudocode`.

### 1. Sample 1

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**Algorithm 1** Sample 1

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```
function HELLOWORLD(n)  
  for i  $\leftarrow$  0 to n - 1 do                                 $\triangleright$  print n “hello”s  
    PRINTLINE(hello)
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## 2. Sample 2

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**Algorithm 2** Sample 2

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function TRIANGULABLE(P[0..n - 1])   $\triangleright$  elements of P are pairs  $\langle x, y \rangle$   
2:   if n < 3 then  
    return false  
4:   for i  $\leftarrow$  0 to n - 2 do  
    array[0..n - i - 1]  $\leftarrow$  [null..null]  
6:   for j  $\leftarrow$  i + 1 to n - 1 do  
    x1, y1  $\leftarrow$  P[i]  
8:    x2, y2  $\leftarrow$  P[j]  
    if x1  $\neq$  x2 then  
10:     slope  $\leftarrow$  (y2 - y1)/(x2 - x1)  
    else  
12:     slope  $\leftarrow$  null  
    array[j - i - 1]  $\leftarrow$  slope  
14:   HEAPSORT(array)                                 $\triangleright$  introduced in Week 7 lecture  
    for j  $\leftarrow$  1 to n - i - 2 do  
16:    if array[j] = array[j + 1] then  
        return false  
18:   return true
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## 8 Suggested Online Resources

<https://en.wikibooks.org/wiki/LaTeX>

<https://tex.stackexchange.com/>

<https://www.ctan.org/>

<http://pgfplots.sourceforge.net/>