An Introduction to Type-setting projects in LaTEX 2ε with the UoYCSProject class

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What is LATEX?

 $\prescript{\text{ETEX}}\ 2_{\prescript{\mathcal{E}}}$ is a document description language built on top of Donald Knuth's TEX type-setting engine.

Cf. HTML and SGML/XML applications.



A minimal document

Source

\documentclass{minimal} \begin{document} Hello_World. \end{document}

Output

Hello World.



Why use $\Delta T_E X 2_{\varepsilon}$?

- The sophisticated type-setting algorithm of TEX, and the enhanced algorithm of pdfe(la)tex. the TEX showcase.
- The huge number of pre-defined packages for doing common things.
- The ability to define your own special purpose structures.
- Stable basis.
- Good for large, academic documents.

References

There are many good references for TEX and friends. See "A guide to type-setting project reports in LATEX with the UoYCSproject class". • Guide



UoYCSProject

a class for project reports

There are many pre-defined document classes:

Base minimal, article, report, book, letter, slides.

KOMA-Script scrartcl, scrreprt, scrbook, scrlttr2.

Memorandum memorandum.

Others ..., beamer, ..., UoYCSproject DoYCSproject ...



Text, commands and environments

The anatomy of a LaTeX source

```
\documentclass[class options]{class name} preamble (definitions and declarations) \begin{document} % this is a comment. body \end{document}
```



The anatomy of a UoYCSproject preamble

```
\documentclass { UoYCSproject }
%_Order_of_declarations_does_not_matter.
\author{Anne_Student-Name}
\ title {A_Solution_to_the_Problem_of_$\ mathit{P}=\mathit{NP}$}
\deltadate\{30 \text{ February } 2000\}
 supervisor{Prof._Z._Soporific}
\ MEng
\wordcount \{2,345}\excludes \{Appendix \ref \{ sec : code \}\}
 dedication {To_My_Cat,_Jeoffery}
\abstract{The_well_known_problem_of_$P=NP$_is_explained,
__together_with_its_significance_and_a_brief_history_of
__attempts_to_solve_it . __An_ingenious_solution_is_presented .}
\ begin { document }
\end{document}
```

A full list of declarations is given in Guide, Figure 7.1, P 46.

Extra definitions and package loading

- You can load extra packages and make your own definitions.
- These go in a file with the same name as your main file, but extension 'ldf'. This is different to the way all other classes work. (I have implemented UoYCSproject in this way to ensure that packages are loaded in the correct order.)
- Useful packages include: listings, graphics, graphicx, pgf/tikz, amsmath.

The anatomy of the body

Front matter Title pages, abstract, contents, &c.

Main matter The text, divided into (parts,) chapters (, sections, subsections, subsubsections, paragraphs and subparagraphs).

Back matter Bibliography, appendices &c.



Front matter

```
\maketitle % Compulsory: title pages, table of contents \listoffigures % Optional: the list of figures \listoftables % Optional: the list of tables \... % Optional, package dependent lists, \... % e.g. \lstlistoflistings
```

Main matter

Back matter

```
\bibliography{file 1, file 2} % Construct bibliography \appendix % remaining chapters are appendices \chapter{title} % One per appendix \section{title} % Optional \subsection{title} % Optional \subsubsection{title} % Optional \paragraph{title} % Optional \subparagraph{title} % Optional \restarce{title} % Text.
```

Text elements

Characters Can control series, family, shape, colour and size of each text character. See • Guide , §6.3.3.

Sentences Sentence_one.__Sentence_two.

Paragraphs Paragraph_one.__%__blank_line_separates_paragraphs

Paragraph_two.

Special features

```
Context dependent emphasis \emph{...\emph{...\emph{...}...}}

Cross references Sectional units, floats, equations, &c.

Quotations Short and long

Citations

Lists Bulleted, numbered and labelled

Tables

Pictures

Floats Tables, Figures and others.
```

Citations and the bibliography

- Through the natbib package, set up for IEEE style.
- \citep {Joyce:FW} —cite parenthesised— generates [34], assuming Joyce: FW is the label of the 34th reference. Do not use this form as a noun.
- \ citet {Joyce:FW} cite as text— generates Joyce [34], assuming also that the author's surname is 'Joyce'. You may use this form as a noun.
- Rule: your document should read naturally when all the citation markers (numbers in square brackets, plus the brackets) are removed.

Citations are kept in a database in a flat file and processed by a program called BibTFX before inclusion in output file. • Example databse



Mathematics

Very powerful facilities. May be enhanced by amsmath packages (best advice is to *always* load amsmath).

Inline Here is a formula: $\sum_{i=1}^{n} i = \frac{n(n+1)}{2}$; isn't it beautiful? Displayed Here is a formula:

$$\sum_{i=1}^{n} i = \frac{n(n+1)}{2} \tag{1}$$

Isn't it beautiful?



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Definitions

A major reason for using LATEX. Create special-purpose commands and environments for the structures in *your* document.

To define a command called \UoY that prints 'The University of York':

 $\newcommand*{\UoY}{The University of York}$

To define a command that has two parameters:

\newcommand* $\{\C\}[2]_{-}\{\#1\}C^{\#2}\}$

\begin{math}\C{x+2}{3y}\end{math} type-sets as $_{x+2}C^{3y}$.



Syntax and form of messages

A *message* has three components: *sender, receiver* and *content*. So we write our document in terms of a command \msg that has 3 parameters:

 $\mbox{\ensuremath{\sf newcommand}*} \{\mbox{\ensuremath{\sf msg}} \} [3] \{ \mbox{\ensuremath{\sf BODY}} \}$

Two possible definitions for BODY:

- \bullet #1\rightarrow#2:#3
- **2** #2\Leftarrow\left[#3\right]\Leftarrow#1

The call $\mbox{\sc MSg}\{S\}\{R\}\{C^{A}\{B\}\}\}\$ produces



Syntax of message sequences

A protocol is a sequence of messages. So we write our document in terms of an environment that collects a sequence of messages.

We will write, for example:

```
\begin{protocol}
    \msg{A}{B}{X,Y,Z}
    \sep \msg{B}{C}{W,X}
    \sep \msg{C}{B}{W,X'}

\end{protocol}
```

Desired form of message sequences

Now we design the printed form.

- The output should have numbered messages to which labels can be attached. Each message should be printed on a line of its own.
- ② The definitions of \msg and \sep should be local to the environment.



Form of message sequences

```
\newcounter { msgnumber }
 newenvironment*{protocol}
{ % set up
   \setminus setcounter { msgnumber } {0}%
   \newcommand*{\newcommand*{\newcommand*{\newcommand*{\newcommand*{\newcommand*}}}}[3]{\newcommand*{\newcommand*}}
     \refstepcounter { msgnumber } %
     \themsgnumber&##1&##2&##3}
  \newcommand*{\sep}{{\cl}}
  \begin{math}\ displaystyle%
     \begin{array}%
        {r@{.\quad}|@{\rightarrow}|@{\;:\;}|}
{ % finalise
  \end{array}\end{math}}
```

The end product

Source

```
\begin{protocol}
    \msg{A}{B}{X,Y,Z}
    \sep \msg{B}{C}{W,X}
    \sep \msg{C}{B}{W,X'}

\end{protocol}
```

Output

- 1. $A \rightarrow B : X, Y, Z$
- 2. $B \rightarrow C : W, X$
- 3. $C \rightarrow B : W \cdot X'$

How to run LaTeX

The processing cycle

- Create <source>.tex, <source>.ldf, bibliographic files, &c.
- ② Run PDF(E)LATEX $2_{\mathcal{E}}$ (Using TEXLive on Departmental Linux: 'pdflatex <source>'). Collects auxiliary information in <source>.aux, <source>.toc, &c. and creates <source>.pdf.
- Run BibTEX ('bibtex <source>'). This uses the auxiliary information to determine database files and writes <source>.bbl file.
- Run PDF(E) LATEX $2_{\mathcal{E}}$ ('pdflatex < source>') a second time. Collects auxiliary information in < source>.aux, < source>.toc, &c., including bibliographic cross references.
- **3** Run PDF(E)LATEX $2_{\mathcal{E}}$ ('pdflatex <source>') a third time. There should now be enough auxiliary information to generate the final version of <source>.pdf.

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Helpful tools

- Process can be eased by tools such as
 - ► AUCT_EX package for emacs (any platform).
 - MacTEX on Apple
 - MikTeX and WinEDT on Microsoft systems.
 - Eclipse plugin (any platform).
- Incremental processing and errors do not mean repeating the whole process: for example, BibTEX only needs to be re-run if the bibliographic files change or a new citation is added.
- Most tools also give help with managing BibTEX databases; there are also many free-standing tools available.