A LaTeX Template for Writing Papers

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Abstract

This document provides some useful tips as well as serve a template for writing a paper in LaTeX. To understand how LaTeX works, you should compare the source code and the output PDF.

Keywords: keyword1; keyword2; keyword3

You need to open `template.tex` file and read it. Compare `.tex` file with the output `.pdf` file as you read `.tex` file.

1   Editor

For most people, I recommend TeXworks (a text editor) for editing .tex files and JabRef (a reference management tool) for editing .bib files. Mac users can also use TeXShop and BibDesk, alternatively. TeXworks comes with your LaTeX distribution (TeXLive recommended). You can download/install JabRef for free.

TeXworks has a built-in PDF viewer. The best part of TeXworks is forward/backward PDF sync. After compiling your .tex file, do 'Ctrl + Click' or 'Command + Click' on some text part in the .tex file. It will send you to the corresponding part in the output PDF file. While reading your PDF file (in TeXworks), also do 'Ctrl + Clik' or 'Command + Click' on some text part in the .pdf file. It will again send you to the corresponding part in the source TeX file. Use this functionality to read this document.

2   Text

In LaTeX, just enter an empty line for a new paragraph.

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If you want to *emphasize* some *words*, use *emph*, instead of *textit*.

Quotation marks are input differently in LaTeX. "Hello World", not "Hello World". 'linear programming', not 'linear programming'. See how different they are in the PDF output.

There are different kinds of '-':

Hyphen. shortest-path

En dash. 1999–2015, New York–London flight, constraints (2)–(5)

Em dash. Since 2007, the consensus of the economic establishment—bankers, policymakers, CEOs, stock analysts, pundits—has been catastrophically wrong.

Minus. -310, $x - y$

Read more at `https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Dash`.

3 Citation and Cross-Referencing

You need to provide `.bib` files. Look at the end of this document for something like 'bibliography'. This template uses `sample_ref.bib`. Also learn how to use BibTeX. (Google it!)

- Textual citation: Kwon et al. (2013)

- Parenthetical citation: (Kwon et al., 2013)

- Multiple parenthetical citations: (Bertsimas and Sim, 2004; Chaerani et al., 2005; Kouvelis and Yu, 1996; Gabrel et al., 2012)

- If you need multiple *textual* citations, it is better to write: Bertsimas and Sim (2004), Chaerani et al. (2005), Kouvelis and Yu (1996), and Gabrel et al. (2012), instead of Bertsimas and Sim (2004); Chaerani et al. (2005); Kouvelis and Yu (1996); Gabrel et al. (2012).

See them in action:

> In this paper, we propose a robust optimization framework for the routing methods based on the CVaR risk measure, assuming that data are uncertain within given sets. The proposed robust optimization method is closely related to robust shortest path (RSP) problems, which find a path that minimizes the worst-case travel cost with an uncertain set of travel cost data. When the uncertain set is box-constrained, the RSP problem can be solved in polynomial time (Bertsimas and Sim, 2003), while the problem is NP-hard when the uncertain set is an ellipsoid (Bertsimas and Sim, 2004; Chaerani et al., 2005) and a set of scenarios (Kouvelis and Yu, 1996). We refer readers to Ben-Tal et al. (2009) and Gabrel et al. (2012) and references therein for general robust optimization methods.

For cross-referencing, you should *never* do Section 1. You must always do Section 1. If you see ?? in your PDF, you would need to compile your LaTeX code one more time (or, some errors). Equation (1) or (1). Table 2. Figure 1.

4   Math

Inline equations can be like $\sum_{j:(i,j)\in\mathcal{A}} x_{ij}$.

A single line equation:

$$\sum_{j:(i,j)\in\mathcal{A}} x_{ij} = 1 \quad \forall i \in \mathcal{N} \tag{1}$$

I used $\mathcal{A}$ as a shorthand for $\mathcal{A}$.

Try to give some consistency in your notation. I usually use calligraphic letters to denote sets like set of nodes $\mathcal{N}$, set of arcs $\mathcal{A}$, set of shipments $\mathcal{S}$ as in $n \in \mathcal{N}$ or $\sum_{s\in\mathcal{S}} z_s$, and so on. Lower-case alphabets for variables like x_{ij}, y_i, and z_j. Upper-case roman alphabets like N, A, and S for constants as in $n = 1, ..., N$ or $\sum_{s=1}^{S} x_s$.

I usually use lower-case Greek letters for dual variables: λ_i, ρ_j, etc. Upper-case Greek letters may be some special sets or sets of dual variables: Λ, Θ, etc.

Multiple lines:

$$\sum_{j:(i,j)\in\mathcal{A}} x_{ij} = 1 \quad \forall i \in \mathcal{N} \tag{2}$$

$$\sum_{j:(i,j)\in\mathcal{A}} y_{ij} = 1 \quad \forall i \in \mathcal{N}$$

$$\sum_{j:(i,j)\in\mathcal{A}} z_{ij} = 1 \quad \forall i \in \mathcal{N} \tag{3}$$

$$\sum_{j:(i,j)\in\mathcal{A}} \omega_{ij} = 1 \quad \forall i \in \mathcal{N} \tag{4}$$

$$\sum_{j:(i,j)\in\mathcal{A}} \eta_{ij} = 1 \quad \forall i \in \mathcal{N} \tag{5}$$

A single equation that stretches to multiple lines

$$\sum_{j:(i,j)\in\mathcal{A}} x_{ij} + \sum_{j:(i,j)\in\mathcal{A}} x_{ij} + \sum_{j:(i,j)\in\mathcal{A}} x_{ij}$$
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$$+ \sum_{j:(i,j)\in\mathcal{A}} x_{ij} + \sum_{j:(i,j)\in\mathcal{A}} x_{ij} = 1 \quad (6)$$

When you want cross-referencing, do this: (1), or (2)–(5).

If you don't want numbering, just add *, like:

$$\sum_{j:(i,j)\in\mathcal{A}} x_{ij} = 1 \quad \forall i \in \mathcal{N}$$

or

$$\sum_{j:(i,j)\in\mathcal{A}} x_{ij} = 1 \quad \forall i \in \mathcal{N}$$

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$$\sum_{j:(i,j)\in\mathcal{A}} x_{ij} = 1 \quad \forall i \in \mathcal{N}$$
$$\sum_{j:(i,j)\in\mathcal{A}} y_{ij} = 1 \quad \forall i \in \mathcal{N}$$

Please do not use words for variables.

- Don't:
$$counter_1 = 3 + 10$$

where $counter_1$ may be confused with $c \times o \times u \times n \times t \times e \times r_1$.

- Instead do:
$$c_i = 3 + 10$$

or

$$counter_1 = 3 + 10$$

or

$$\mathsf{counter_1} = 3 + 10$$

depending on the context.

4

Table 1: The table caption is above the table. Text to the left, numbers to the right.

Name	Location	Number	Number
Michael	Chicago	10	3.190
Sara	Montreal	110	123.148
Sandra	LA	1210	3.000
Alexander	San Francisco	8	0.000

You can use $\boldsymbol{x}$ as a vector of x_{ij}. Some matrices $\boldsymbol{A}$ and $\boldsymbol{B}$.

Some vectors are here:

$$\boldsymbol{y} = \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \qquad \boldsymbol{z} = \begin{bmatrix} z_1 \\ z_2 \\ \vdots \\ z_n \end{bmatrix}$$

A matrix is here:

$$\boldsymbol{A} = \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & \cdots & a_{22} \\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ a_{1n} & \cdots & a_{nn} \end{bmatrix}$$

If you like curly brackets:

$$\boldsymbol{A} = \begin{pmatrix} a_{11} & \cdots & a_{22} \\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ a_{1n} & \cdots & a_{nn} \end{pmatrix}$$

4.1 Theorem

You can write a theorem with a proof.

Theorem 1. *If one is not drunken, the following is true:*

$$1 + 2 = c \tag{7}$$

where c is a constant that represents 3.

Proof. Obvious. □

Definition 1. *Definition...............*

Lemma 1. *Lemma............*

Proof. We can prove this lemma by using Theorem 1. □

Table 2: A bad presentation.

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Table 3: Arc attributes for the 8-node network, with ρ_a: the population density along arc a and $c_a(v_a) = A_a(1 + 0.15(v_a/l_a)^4)$.

Arc a				
Start	End	A_a	l_a	ρ_a
1	2	6	900	701
1	3	4	1400	11193
2	3	6	700	1701

5 Tables

When you prepare tables, please just ignore the positioning of tables in the final PDF file. I put the code for Table 1 above this text and the code for Table 3 below this text. Their actual locations in the output PDF file will be determined by LaTeX. Table 2 is a bad presentation of Table 1. Tables 1–3 are small tables. If you have a big table like Table 4, then you can use 'sidewaystable'. However, it is best to redesign the table and not to use sideway tables. Think one more time to decide if you really need such a big table to make your arguments clear.

6 Figures

For figures, it is better to put the caption below the figure. See Figure 1. Whenever possible, you should save your figure as a vector-based PDF file. PDF files that were converted from a JPG file do not look good. Compare Figures 2a and 2b. As you have already seen in Figure 2, you can put figures side by side.

If you are using MATLAB to generate figures, read http://stom.chkwon.net/matlab for some examples using save2pdf.

7 Concluding Remarks

Some guidelines are provided in http://stom.chkwon.net/latex. If you have questions regarding LaTeX, go to http://tex.stackexchange.com and ask questions to experts. I go there every day. This document has appendices. Appendix C has some interesting materials.

Table 4: A sideway table.

Case	Solution Type	LINGO			Modified EDO				2-Step EDO			
		Risk	Toll Revenue	Run Time	Risk	Toll Revenue	Run Time	Objective Gap (%)	Risk	Toll Revenue	Run Time	Objective Gap (%)
1	Global	2469.86	0	4 sec	2945.94	703.28	8 sec	47.75	2469.86	1.96	14 sec	0.08
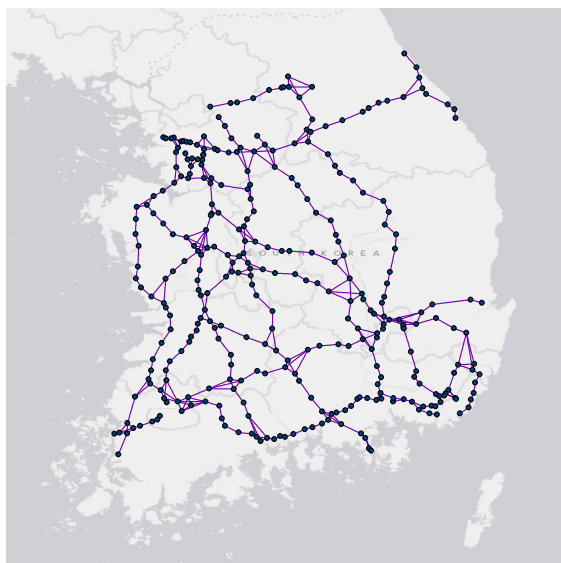
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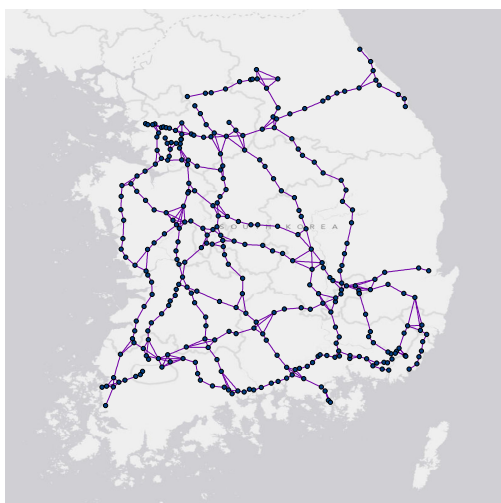
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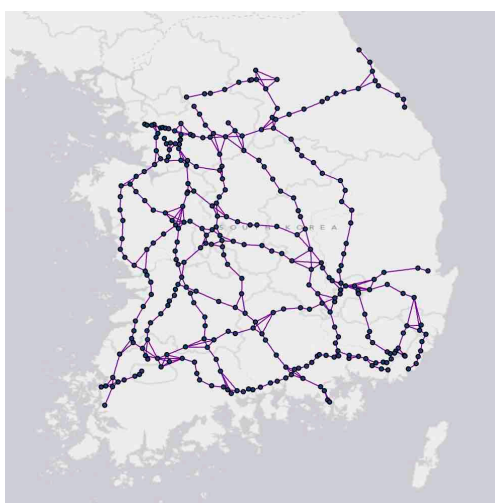
(b) PDF converted from JPG

Figure 2: Figures side by side using `subfigure`. Zoom in and out to see the difference.

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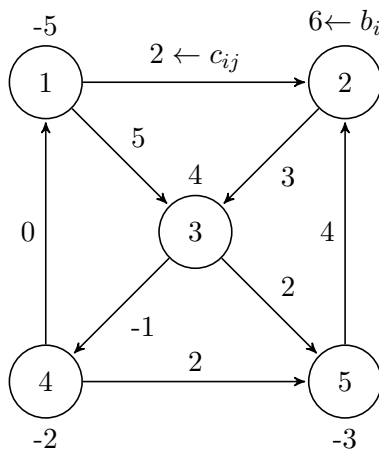
Appendix

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A Proofs

You may want to collect proofs for theorems here. This is Appendix A.

B Data

Or maybe some data. This is Appendix B.

C Drawing

You can also draw some figures within LaTeX. You can put it between text like this:

You can also put them in figures like Figures 3 and 4. You can also draw a network that is slightly more graphical as in Figure 5. You can ev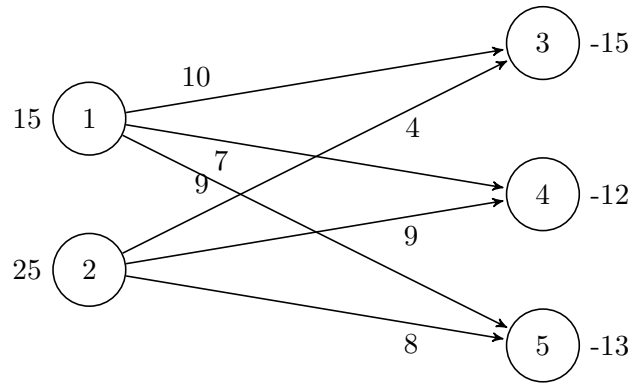en draw a digram that is as complicated as Figure 6. Visit `http://www.texample.net/tikz/examples/` for more examples and ideas.
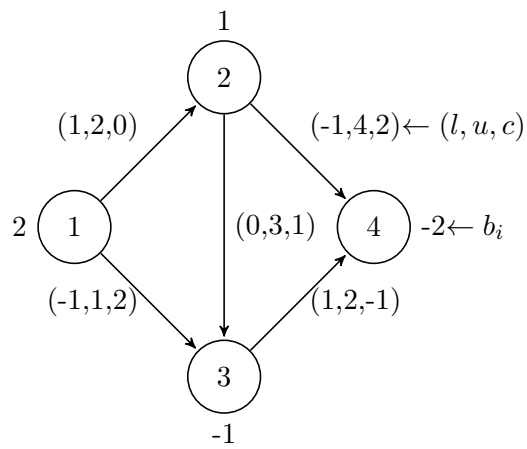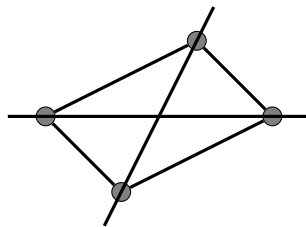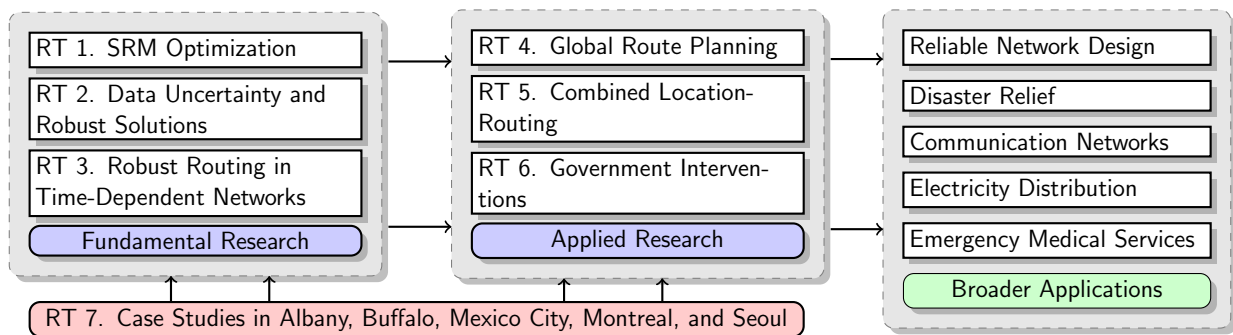
Figure 3: Some network 2

Figure 4: Some network 3

Figure 5: Some network

Figure 6: Complicated diagram