INTRODUCTION TO LATEX

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WHAT IS LATEX?

- LaTeX is pronounced "lay-tech" or "lah-tech," not "la-teks."
- LaTeX is a document preparation system for high-quality typesetting.
- LaTeX is most often used to produce technical or scientific documents, but it can be used for almost any form of publishing.



WHY USE LATEX?

- Designed by academics and easily accommodates academic use.
- Professionally crafted predefined layouts make a document really look as if "printed."
- Mathematical symbols and equations are easily integrated.
- Even complex structures such as footnotes, references, table of contents, and bibliographies can be generated easily.
- Forces author to focus on logical instead of aesthetic structure of a document.
- Creates more beautiful documents.
- Portable, compatible, flexible, versatile, and cheap (or free)!



LATEX FILE STRUCTURE

- Document Class
 - Predefined Formats (article, report, book,..).
- Packages used
 - Added Functionality (graphics, reference style,...).
- Main Body
 - Text and Bibliography References.



INSTALLING LATEX

- In Windows
- MiKTeX
 - MiKTeX is a typesetting system for the Windows.
 - Download from <u>www.miktex.org</u> for free
 - It is generally recommended to install MiKTeX first, then WinEdt.
- TeXstudio
 - Text editor.
 - WinEdt creates the source file (.tex and others).
 - Free



INSTALLING LATEX

- Other text editors
 - There are other text editors.
 - Winshell for free (http://www.winshell.de/)
 - Scientific Workplace
 - Combination of LaTeX and Mathematics program
 - Does a good job of calculating and graphing, very user friendly, but expensive
- In Mac
- TexShop
 - Download for free <u>http://www.uoregon.edu/~koch/texshop/</u>
 - Includes everything!



BASIC DOCUMENT STRUCTURE

- The format of a document is pretty simple.
 - In the preamble
 - Document class
 - Packages
 - In the body
 - Contents
 - In the back matter
 - bibliography



BODY OF TEXT

- •Start with \begin{document}
- End with \end{document}
- Typesetting Text
 - \\ or \newline and \newpage
 - Quotations
 - Bold \textbf{.....} or \bf
 - Italics \emph{......} or \textit{......} or \it
 - Underline \underline \unde



IN THE BODY

- To begin a new section
- \section{}
 - Similarly, \subsection{}, \subsubsection{}, \subsubsection{}
 - LaTeX does automatic numbering. If you don't like it, use section*{}
- \emph{}, \textbf{}
- \singlespacing, \doublespacing, \onehalfspacing
- \centering or \begin{centering} & \end{centering}



LISTS

Source

- begin{itemize}
- \item Apple
- \item Orange
- \end{itemize}

Result

- Apple
- Orange
- Enumerate instead of itemize gives a numbered list



FONT SIZE

\tiny \scriptsize \footnotesize

\small \normalsize

\large \Large

\LARGE\huge \Huge



FOOTNOTES/EQUATIONS

- \footnote{}
- Mathematical Equations
 - Math always in between \$ & \$
 - Alternatively, \begin{equation} & \end{equation}
 - **\$** 1+4=5 \$
 - \frac{}{}, \sqrt{}, \sum_{k=1}^{n}
 - ^{},_{}
 - \greek letters (e.g. \alpha or \Alpha)
 - WinEdt also provides click and type functions.



BIBLIOGRAPHY USING BIBTEX

- \cite{bibtexkey}, citeyear{bibtexkey}
- Bibliography information is stored in a *.bib file, in Bibtex format.
- Set referencing style
 - bibliographystyle{chicago}
- Create reference section by
 - bibliography{bibfile with no extension}



BIBLIOGRAPHY USING BIBTEX

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@book{Come95,
author="D. E. Comer",
title={Internetworking with TCP/IP: Principles, Protocols and Architecture},
publisher="Prentice-Hall",
year=1995,
volume=1,
edition="Third"}
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BIBLIOGRAPHY CONTD.

- Citing references in text
 - •\cite{cuc98} = (Cuce 1998)
 - \citeN{cru98} = Crud (1998)
 - •\shortcite{tom98} = (Tom, et. al. 1998)

