





LATEX Workshop

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LATEX: How and Why?



Origins:

- Developed by Leslie Lamport in 1984
- Built on top of Donald Knuth's **TeX** typesetting system (1978)

Purpose:

- Simplify the creation of complex documents
- Provide superior control over document layout and formatting

Why:

- Many packages to do what you probably want to do
- No need to worry about formatting: someone does the template, you just write







LATEX: How and Why? What about Word?

- Superior Typesetting Quality:
 - Professional and consistent formatting
 - Optimal handling of mathematical equations and symbols
- Automated Document Management:
 - Automatic numbering of sections, figures, tables, and references
 - Easy generation of tables of contents, bibliographies, and indexes
- Version Control Compatibility:
 - Plain text files integrate seamlessly with version control systems (e.g., Git)
- Stability and Consistency:
 - Consistent output across different platforms and devices
 - Minimal formatting issues when sharing documents
- Focus on Content:
 - Encourages separation of content and styling
 - Reduces distractions from formatting during the writing process



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The Overleaf Minimum

```
\documentclass{article}
\usepackage{graphicx} % Required for inserting images
\title{Latex workshop}
\author{José Filipe}
\date{December 2024}
\begin{document}
\maketitle
\section{Introduction}
\end{document}
```



The Bare Bones



```
\documentclass[12pt]{article}
```

```
\begin{document}
     Hello world!
\end{document}
```



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Paragraphs and linebreaks



- One "enter" does nothing
- Blank line to create new paragraph
- \\ or \linebreak for break a line





Paragraphs and linebreaks

```
\documentclass[12pt]{article}
```

\begin{document}

Lorem ipsum odor amet, consectetuer adipiscing elit.

Donec proin hac nostra suspendisse nunc facilisis quisque.

Faucibus metus justo varius $\label{linebreak}$ pretium erat viverra auctor.

Habitasse quis purus iaculis $\backslash \backslash$ condimentum at inceptos magnis.

\end{document}







- \textbf{...} bold text
- \textit{...} italic text
- \underline{...} underline text





Bold, italics, and underlines

```
\documentclass[12pt]{article}

\begin{document}
    Lorem \textbf{ipsum odor} amet,
    consectetuer \textit{adipiscing} elit.

Donec proin hac \underline{nostra} suspendisse
    nunc \textbf{\textit{\underline}facilisis quisque}}}.
\end{document}
```





Generalising Commands

- As you probably noticed by now...
 - There is an escape character: \
 - Commands start with \
 - Almost every direct interface with LATEX starts with the \
 - To write the escape character: \textbackslash
 - Followed by the command name
 - Optional arguments are enclosed in square brackets [...]
 - Arguments are enclosed in curly braces {...}
 - Multiple arguments are provided sequentially







\comandName[opt. 1, opt. 2, ...]{arg. 1}{arg. 2}...





Another LATEX interface: Environments

- Define blocks of content with specific formatting or behaviour
- Start with \begin{environment} and end with \end{environment}
- The environment name must match in both \begin{...} and \end{...}
- Some environments accept optional arguments in square brackets [...]
- Common environments: itemize, enumerate, figure, table, equation, etc.







Lists

```
\documentclass[12pt]{article}
\begin{document}
    \begin{itemize}
        \item Lorem ipsum odor amet
        \item Justo sed duis purus
        \begin{itemize}
            \item Consectetuer adipiscing elit
            \item Donec proin hac nostra suspendisse
        \end{itemize}
        \item Nunc facilisis quisque
    \end{itemize}
\end{document}
```



Lists



- Lorem ipsum odor amet
- Justo sed duis purus
 - Consectetuer adipiscing elit
 - Donec proin hac nostra suspendisse
- Nunc facilisis quisque





Numbered Lists

```
\documentclass[12pt]{article}
\begin{document}
    \begin{enumerate}
        \item Lorem ipsum odor amet
        \item Justo sed duis purus
        \begin{enumerate}
            \item Consectetuer adipiscing elit
            \item Donec proin hac nostra suspendisse
        \end{enumerate}
        \item Nunc facilisis quisque
    \end{enumerate}
\end{document}
```



Numbered Lists



- 1. Lorem ipsum odor amet
- 2. Justo sed duis purus
 - 2.1 Consectetuer adipiscing elit
 - 2.2 Donec proin hac nostra suspendisse
- 3. Nunc facilisis quisque



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```
\documentclass[12pt]{article}

\begin{document}
    \begin{figure}
        \centering
        \includegraphics[width=0.5\columnwidth]{Figures/sps_logo}
        \caption{Logo IEEE SPS.}
    \end{figure}
\end{document}
```



IEEE

Figures

- Use a figure environment
- \centering:
 - Centers the content within the figure environment
 - Ensures the image is horizontally aligned in the middle of the page or column
- \includegraphics:
 - Inserts an image into the document
 - Commonly used options:
 - width: Specifies the width of the image (e.g., width=0.5\columnwidth)
 - height: Specifies the height of the image
 - scale: Scales the image by a factor
 - Takes path to image as argument (inside {...})
- \caption:
 - Adds a caption below the image



Figures





Figure 1: Logo IEEE SPS.





Figure Placement

- LaTeX handles figure placement automatically for optimal layout
- Common placement specifiers:
 - h here
 - t top
 - b bottom
 - ! override internal parameters
- Messing with Figure placement can disrupt the document flow!
- Letting LATEX decide ensures the professional appearance
- Just accept that LATEX knows better, this is not MS Word and that is a bonus!







References

```
\documentclass[12pt]{article}
\usepackage{graphicx}
\begin{document}
    \begin{figure}
        \centering
        \includegraphics[width=0.5\columnwidth]{Figures/sps_logo}
        \caption{Logo IEEE SPS.}
        \label{fig:sps}
    \end{figure}
    Figure \ref{fig:sps} is the SPS logo!
\end{document}
```



IEEE

References

- **\label**{...} assigns a label to an element (e.g., figures, tables, sections)
 - We can call a figure by a name
 - No matter the order, it will always be the right figure!
 - It is a breeze to create lists of figure
 - Labels for figure usually start with fig:
- \ref{...} references the labelled element
- Using ~ ensures that "Figure" and its number stay on the same line



References





Figure 2: Logo IEEE SPS.

Figure 2 is the SPS logo!





Packages and Clever References

\end{document}

```
\documentclass[12pt]{article}
\usepackage{graphicx}
\usepackage{cleveref}
\begin{document}
    \begin{figure}
        \centering
        \includegraphics[width=0.5\columnwidth]{Figures/sps_logo}
        \caption{Logo IEEE SPS.}
        \label{fig:sps}
    \end{figure}
    \cref{fig:sps} is the SPS logo!
```









Figure 3: It is yet another IEEE SPS logo.

Both Figure 2 and fig. 3 are the SPS logo!





Packages and Clever References

- \usepackage{..} loads extra functionalities, packages made by the communities (basically, libraries)
- We are importing the cleveref package
 - \cref{...} automatically includes the type of the referenced object (e.g., "Figure", "Table") without manual text
 - Using \cref{fig:sps} produces "Figure 1" automatically, maintaining proper spacing and formatting





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The Equation Environment

- Use the equation environment to display numbered equations.
- Automatically centres the equation and assigns a number for referencing.
- Syntax:

```
\begin{equation}
    % Your equation here
\end{equation}
```







The Equation Environment

```
\documentclass[12pt]{article}
\begin{document}
    Here is a simple equation:
    \begin{equation}
        E = mc^2
    \end{equation}
\end{document}
```





Mathematical Notation Basics

- Greek Letters: \alpha (α), \beta (β), \delta (δ), \Delta (Δ), etc.
- Operations: + (+), (-), **\times** (×), **\cdot** (·)
- Fractions: $\backslash \mathbf{frac}\{a\}\{b\}$ $\left(\frac{a}{b}\right)$
- Subscript: a_{i} (a_{i})
- Superscript: x^{2} (x^{2})
- Summations: \sum_{i=1}^{n} x_i $\left(\sum_{i=1}^n x_i\right)$
- Integrals: $\inf_{a}^{b} f(x) \setminus dx \left(\int_{a}^{b} f(x) dx \right)$







$$\sigma = \sqrt{\frac{\sum_{i=1}^{N} (x_i - \mu)^2}{N}}$$

(1)





Referencing Equations

```
\documentclass[12pt]{article}
\usepackage{cleveref}
\begin{document}
   The \cref{eq:std} shows the standard deviation:
   \begin{equation}
       \sum_{i=1}^{N} (x_i - \mu)^2{N}
       \label{eq:std}
   \end{equation}
```

\end{document}



Referencing Equations



The eq. (2) shows the standard deviation:

$$\sigma = \sqrt{\frac{\sum_{i=1}^{N} (x_i - \mu)^2}{N}}$$

(2)



Inline Equations



- Embed mathematical expressions within text using \$...\$
- For inline equations and symbols
- Supports standard LATEX math syntax





Inline Equations

```
\documentclass[12pt]{article}
\begin{document}
    According to Newton's second law, the force applied
    to an object is given by F = ma, where:
    \begin{itemize}
        \item $F$ is the force in Newtons ($N$)
        \item $m$ is the mass in kilograms ($kg$)
        \item $a$ is the acceleration in meters per
              second squared (m \cdot cdot s^{-2})
    \end{itemize}
    This equation is fundamental in physics.
\end{document}
```



Inline Equations

According to Newton's second law, the force applied to an object is given by F = ma, where:

- *F* is the force in Newtons (*N*)
- *m* is the mass in kilograms (*kg*)
- a is the acceleration in meters per second squared $(m \cdot s^{-2})$

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Comparing Tables: booktabs vs. Regular Tables

Which table looks better?

Table 1: Regular style table.

Parameter	Value	Unit
Length	10	m
Width	5	m
Height	3	m

Table 2: Booktabs style table.

Parameter	Value	Unit
Length	10	m
Width	5	m
Height	3	m



Why booktabs?



- Developed to improve the quality of tables in LATEX documents
- Aimed at enhancing readability and visual appeal of tables.
- Best Practices:
 - Avoid using vertical lines; rely on spacing and horizontal rules
 - Maintain consistency in table design throughout the document





Basic Tables

```
\documentclass[12pt]{article}
\usepackage{cleveref}
\usepackage{booktabs}
\begin{document}
    \begin{table}
        \centering
        \caption{Basic table.}
        \label{tab:basic}
        \begin{tabular}{l|cr}
            \toprule
            \textbf{Parameter} & \textbf{Value} & \textbf{Unit} \\
            \midrule
            Length
                               & 10
                                                 & m
            Width
                                                 & m
            \bottomrule
        \end{tabular}
    \end{table}
    \Cref{tab:basic} is a basic table.
\begin{end}
```





Basic Tables

- begin{table} ... \end{table}
 - Environment that holds the caption, label, and the actual table
- **\begin**{tabular} ... **\end**{tabular}
 - Defines the table's structure
 - Column alignment specified within curly braces:
 - 1: Left-aligned
 - c: Center-aligned
 - r: Right-aligned
 - |: Vertical lines (use sparingly with booktabs)
- & separates columns
- \\ ends rows



Basic Tables



■ \toprule: Thick line at the top

■ \midrule: Thin line between header and data

■ \bottomrule: Thick line at the bottom







Table 3: Basic table.

Parameter	Value	Unit
Length	10	m
Width	5	m

Table 3 is a basic table.





Basic Tables – Challenge

Law	Differential form	Integral form
Gauss	$ abla \cdot \overset{ ightharpoonup}{E} = rac{ ho}{\epsilon_0}$	$\int_{\mathcal{S}} \overset{ ightarrow}{\mathbf{E}} \cdot \hat{n} \ dS = rac{\mathbf{Q}}{\epsilon_0}$
Gauss for Magnetism	$ abla \cdot \overrightarrow{f B} = 0$	$\int_{\mathcal{S}} \vec{\mathbf{B}} \cdot \hat{n} dS = 0$
Faraday	$ abla imes \overset{ ightarrow}{E} = -rac{\partial \overset{ ightarrow}{B}}{\partial t}$	$\oint \vec{\mathbf{E}} \cdot d\vec{\mathbf{r}} = -\frac{d}{dt} \int_{S} \vec{\mathbf{B}} \cdot \hat{n} dS$
Ampère	$\nabla \times \overrightarrow{\mathbf{B}} = \mu_0 \overrightarrow{\mathbf{J}} + \mu_0 \epsilon_0 \frac{\partial \overrightarrow{\mathbf{E}}}{\partial t}$	$\oint \vec{\mathbf{B}} \cdot d\vec{\mathbf{r}} = \mu_0 \mathbf{I} + \mu_0 \epsilon_0 \int_{\mathcal{S}} \vec{\mathbf{E}} \cdot \hat{\mathbf{n}} dS$





Advanced Tables



- As you probably can conclude, tables are not LATEX strong suit
- https://www.tablesgenerator.com



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Text Structure



- Chapter (\chapter{Chapter Name}) (Only in certain document classes)
- Section (\section{Section Name})
- Subsection (\subsection{Subsection Name})
- Subsubsection (\subsubsection{Subsubsection Name})
- It is possible to associate a label to each of these, for referencing





Text Structure

```
\documentclass{article}
\usepackage{cleveref}
\begin{document}
    \section{Introduction}
    \label{sec:intro}
    This is the introduction section.
    \section{Methodology}
    \label{sec:method}
    Refer to \cref{sec:intro} for the introduction.
    \subsection{Data Collection}
    \label{sec:data}
    Details about data collection for \cref{sec:method}.
    \subsubsection{Survey Design}
    \label{sec:survey}
    Information on survey design.
\end{document}
```



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IEEE Conference Template



- https://www.overleaf.com/latex/templates/ ieee-conference-template/grfzhhncsfqn
- Open as Template



Organising a Project



- Erase all pdfs
- Change conference_101719.tex to main.tex
- Erase everything between \end{IEEEkeywords} and \end{document}







Organising a Project

- Create a new file called body.tex
- Paste the code in slide 53 inside the document environment into it
- Write \input{body.tex} bellow \end{IEEEkeywords}
 - "Pastes" the content of a tex file inside another
 - We can easily write the content in body.tex and change template, by using \input{body}







- Create a new file called citations.bib
- Add the following two lines, below the \input{body} line

```
% This is the citations style
\bibliographystyle{IEEEtran}
% This is the file where the citations are stored
\bibliography{citations}
```





Paste bibtex references inside citations.bib

- Filipe2021 is the key we are going to use to cite this workshop
- It can be changed to whatever we want





- Use \cite{...} to cite a work
- For instance, add the following to body.tex

This work \cite{Filipe2021} is not about \LaTeX.





- Order in bib file does not matter.
- References are order according with the rules in the bibliography style (order of appearance, alphabetically, etc)
- Numbers are dynamically assigned by LATEX no need to worry about them at all!!!





IPL Template



- https://www.overleaf.com/latex/templates/ polytechnic-university-of-leiria-thesis-template/tqgbrncfhwgt
- Open as Template



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What is Beamer?



- Beamer is a LATEX class for creating presentations
- It allows you to create slides with consistent styling and structure
- Utilizes frames to organize content into individual slides







```
\documentclass{beamer}
\begin{document}
   \begin{frame}{Slide Title}
      Your content goes here.
   %\end{frame}
\end{document}
```





Slightly Less Basic Presentation

```
\documentclass{beamer}
\usetheme{Madrid}
\title{Introduction to LaTeX Beamer}
\author{Jane Doe}
\institute{Engineering Department, XYZ University}
\date{\today}
\begin{document}
    \begin{frame}
        \titlepage
    % \end{frame}
    \begin{frame}{Slide Title}
        Your content goes here.
    % \end{frame}
\end{document}
```



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Thank You

