# SIAM: Getting Started with LATEX

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## What is LATEX?

- LATEX is a high-quality typesetting system
- LATEX markup is converted into nice looking pdf files

```
\documentclass[12pt]{article}
\usepackage{amsmath}
\title{\LaTeX}
\date{}
\begin{document}
 \maketitle
 \section{Introduction}
 \LaTeX{} is a document
 preparation system for the
 \TeX{} typesetting program.
 It offers programmable desktop
 publishing features and
 \begin{align}
   E &= mc^2 \\
   m &= \frac{m 0}
     {\c^2}{c^2}}
 \end{align}
\end{document}
```



#### Introduction

JHJgN is a document preparation system for the TgN typesetting program, to offers programmable desktop publishing features and extensive facilities for automating most aspects of typesetting and desktop publishing, including numbering and cross-referencing, tables and figures, page layout, bildgraphies, and much more. BIJEN was originally written in 1984 by Leslie Lamport and has become the dominant method for using TgN, few people write in plain TgN automore. The current version is MfgN 2c.

$$E = mc^{2}$$
 (1)

$$m = \frac{m_0}{\sqrt{1 - \frac{v^2}{c^2}}}$$
(2)



# Why Use LATEX?

- Produces high-quality documents
- Offers precise control over how document looks
- Excellent for typesetting mathematics
- Automated references, citations, etc.
- Widely used for academic journals
- Free
- Multi-platform



## Compiling

- Installing L<sup>A</sup>TEX on your computer
  - Mac: from MacPorts, MacTeX, TeXShop
  - Windows: TeXworks, MiKTeX
  - Helpful site: en.wikibooks.org/wiki/LaTeX/Installation
- Use latex or pdflatex command on a .tex file to produce output
  - pdflatex is recommended, since it can include .pdf, .jpg, .png image formats and outputs directly to .pdf
  - latex uses PostScript format
- Can also compile online at sharelatex.com









## Control Sequences

- LATEX uses control sequences to achieve special functionality
- Control sequences start with a backslash \

\documentclass[11pt]{article}
\usepackage{amsmath}
\begin{document}
\section{Section Title}
\subsection{Subsection Title}
\LaTeX{}
\end{document}

describes appearance of document (similar to CSS) include package named amsmath begins document environment starts a new section starts a new subsection displays LATEX ends document environment



#### **Example Document**

- LATEX document will have information like title and date in top matter
- Contents of document belong in document environment

```
\documentclass[11pt]{article}
\usepackage{amsmath}
\title{\LaTeX}
\author{Your Name}
\date{} % omits date since this is empty
\begin{document}
  \maketitle
  \section{Introduction}
  This is the introduction of my document.
\end{document}
```

## Spaces

You can use LaTeX to typeset regular text. In LaTeX, using extra spaces or a newline doesn't matter.

However, using two newlines in a row results in a new paragraph.

% line comments begin with a percent sign

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#### **Cross-Referencing**

- Many things in LATEX, such as sections and subsections, are automatically numbered
  - Numbering can be suppressed using asterisk, e.g. \section\*{...}
- Automatically numbered entities in LATEX can be labeled using \label{...}
- Any labeled entity can be referenced using \ref{...}
- Command \ref{...} is often preceded by ~, denoting a space that cannot be a line break

```
\section{Introduction}
\label{sec:intro}
This is the introduction.
\section{Results}
In section~\ref{sec:intro}, we provided introductory
material. Now we will provide results.
```



## Compiling Multiple Times

- When running pdflatex on example.tex, multiple files are created
  - example.pdf: output file
  - example.aux: contains auxiliary about references, etc.
  - example.log, example.synctex.gz, etc.
- Cross-reference information in .aux file is not ready until after pdflatex is run
  - May need to run pdflatex twice for references to display correctly
  - Using the tool Latexmk can resolve this issue



#### Exercise 1: Sections

■ Create the following document in LATEX

#### ĿΤΕΧ

Your Name

January 27, 2014

#### 1 Introduction

This is the introduction. Section 2 contains the body of the paper.  $\,$ 

#### 2 Body

This is the body.

#### 2.1 Approach

This is a numbered subsection.

#### Results

This is an unnumbered subsection.

- Helpful sites:
  - http://en.wikibooks.org/wiki/LaTeX/Document\_Structure
  - http://en.wikibooks.org/wiki/LaTeX/Labels\_and\_Cross-referencing



## Exercise 1: Sections (Solution)

```
\documentclass[12pt]{article}
\title{\LaTeX}
\author{Your Name}
\begin{document}
  \maketitle
 \section{Introduction}
  This is the introduction.
                             Section \ref{sec:body} contains
 the body of the paper.
  \section{Body}
  \label{sec:body}
 This is the body.
    \subsection{Approach}
    This is a numbered subsection.
    \subsection*{Results}
    This is an unnumbered subsection.
\end{document}
```

### **Figures**

- Figures can be created using the figure environment
- Various options for placing figures
  - h: here, approximately
  - t: top
  - b: bottom
  - p: on its own page with other such figures
  - For example, begin{figure}[ht]... will place the figure approximately where it is listed in the markup and at the top of a page
- Figures can include a caption and be labeled



### **Figures**

■ The figure below was made with the following code:

```
\begin{figure}
  \includegraphics[width=.6\textwidth]{siebel.jpg}
  \label{fig:siebel}
  \caption{A picture of Siebel Center}
\end{figure}
```



Figure 1: A picture of Siebel Center



#### **BibTeX**

- BibTeX is a tool used to cite articles/books and automatically form a bibliography
- Use cite command to cite something in your paper
  - Example: \cite{greenwade93}
- Use \bibliographystyle and \bibliography commands at the end of document where bibliography should be
  - Example: \bibliographystyle{plain}
    \bibliography{references}{}
- Make a .bib file (called references.bib in our example) that describes each source



#### BibTeX

■ Example .bib file:

```
@article{greenwade93,
   author = "George D. Greenwade",
   title = "The {C}omprehensive {T}ex {A}rchive {N}etwork
             ({CTAN})".
   vear = "1993",
    journal = "TUGBoat",
   volume = "14",
   number = "3",
   pages = "342--351"
@book{goossens93,
    author
             = "Michel Goossens and Frank Mittelbach and
                Alexander Samarin",
   title
            = "The LaTeX Companion",
   year = "1993",
   publisher = "Addison-Wesley",
   address
             = "Reading, Massachusetts"
```

#### Math Mode

- Text between dollar signs \$...\$ will use math mode
- Many control sequences only work in math mode
- Can use ^ for superscripts and \_ for subscripts

\$y = 3x - 4\$ 
$$\rightarrow y = 3x - 4$$
 \$\theta \Theta \omega \Omega\$ 
$$\rightarrow \theta\Theta\omega\Omega$$
 \$\sqrt{x} = x^{1/2}\$ 
$$\rightarrow \sqrt{x} = x^{1/2}$$
 \$\min \{ x\_1, x\_2, x\_3 \}\$ 
$$\rightarrow \min\{x_1, x_2, x_3\}$$



## Displayed Math

- **Example:**  $f(x) = \sum_{i=1}^{\inf y} \frac{1}{g_i(x)}$
- lacktriangle Use dollar signs \$...\$ for inline math
  - $\blacksquare$  The equation  $f(x) = \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{g_i(x)}$  is displayed inline
- Use escaped brackets \[...\] to display math on its own line

$$f(x) = \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{g_i(x)}$$

Use \begin{equation}...\end{equation} for automatically numbered equations

$$f(x) = \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{g_i(x)} \tag{1}$$



#### Exercise 2: Definition of Derivative

Produce the following equation in LATEX:

$$\frac{\mathrm{d}f(x)}{\mathrm{d}x} = \lim_{\delta \to 0} \frac{f(x+\delta) - f(x)}{\delta}$$

■ Start from the following:

```
\documentclass[11pt]{article}
\usepackage{amsmath}
\begin{document}
    % add your content here
\end{document}
```

- Helpful sites:
  - en.wikibooks.org/wiki/LaTeX/Mathematics
  - ftp.ams.org/pub/tex/doc/amsmath/short-math-guide.pdf



## Exercise 2: Definition of Derivative (Solution)

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Solution:

```
\[
\frac{\mathrm{d}f(x)}{\mathrm{d}x}
= \lim_{\delta \to 0} \frac{f(x + \delta) - f(x)}{\delta}
\]
```

- Do the ds in your solution look different?
  - \mathrm displays upright characters in math mode



## Array-Like Environments

- Use array environment or one of the matrix environments to make table of information
- Matrix environments include delimiters for convenience
  - pmatrix (), bmatrix [], Bmatrix {}, vmatrix ||, Vmatrix |||
- Columns separated with &, rows separated with \\

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & -1 & 0 \\ -1 & 2 & -1 \\ 0 & -1 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$$



## Align Environment

- Use align environment to line up multiple equations
- Left and right sides of equation separated with &
- Equations separated with \\
- Using align\* instead of align will suppress equation numbers

```
\begin{align} x & = \cos(\theta(t)) \\ y & = \sin(\theta(t)) \\ theta(t) & \\ = \omega(t) \\ end{align} \\ \end{align} \\ \end{align} \\ \end{align} \\ \end{align} \\ \end{align}
```



#### Resizing Delimiters

- The \left, \right, and \middle commands are used to automatically resize delimiters like parenthesis based on content
- Period . denotes an omitted left or right delimiter
- The \big, \Big, \bigg, and \Bigg commands can be used to manually resize delimiters

#### Math Accents

 Special accents over variables/expressions may be used in math mode

#### Exercise 3: More Math

■ Produce the following equations in LATEX:

$$\begin{vmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{vmatrix} = ad - bc$$

$$\hat{x}_i = x_i \left( \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} x_j \right)^{-1}$$

- Helpful sites:
  - en.wikibooks.org/wiki/LaTeX/Mathematics
  - ftp.ams.org/pub/tex/doc/amsmath/short-math-guide.pdf



# Exercise 3: More Math (Solution)

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Solution:



#### If You Want to Know More ...

■ en.wikibooks.org/wiki/LaTeX/: Excellent reference for LATeX in general

