spArticle Document

Sweet Pastry Fudan University
April 10, 2025

Abstract. This document provides comprehensive instructions for the LATEX class file sparticle. The accompanying text and source code are located within the same directory. The sparticle class is designed to offer a fully packaged article template, enabling users to focus exclusively on content creation without the need to manage complex LATEX code or address grammatical issues. It incorporates nearly all packages commonly utilized by students in scientific and engineering disciplines, allowing users to avoid adding extra code in the preamble. sparticle is not tailored specifically for scientific thesis writing; instead, it serves as a versatile template suitable for personal notes, assignments, and similar applications.

1 How to Use

1.1 .tex File

To use this template, first download the class file spArticle.cls and create a new .tex file. In that file, include the following code snippet to specify the essential information for your article.

```
\documentclass[
   author = author,
   affiliation = affiliation,
   date = \today,
   bibstyle = ieee,
   title = title,
   abstract = abstract,
   ref = ref
]{spArticle}
```

If your title, name, affiliation, or abstract is very long or contains advanced elements like mathematical symbols, you may encounter compilation issues ¹. In such cases, I recommend avoiding the use of \documentclass options to set private variables. Instead, please use the specialized commands in the preamble provided below.

```
\spAuthor{Your Name}
\spAffiliation{Your Affiliation}
\spDate{If You want set time manually}
\spTitle{Your Title}
\spAbstract{You can write a lot here}
```

After providing all the necessary information, you no longer need to add any extra packages or typographical customizations manually. Simply begin writing your text between \begin{document} and \end{document}. This environment is required in the main .tex file to indicate where the formal document starts.

So your .tex file may like this:

```
\documentclass[
    bibstyle=apa, % specify apa style
    ref=yourref
]{spArticle}
\spAuthor{Sweet Pastry}
\spAffiliation{Fudan University}
\spDate{\today}
\spAbstract{
    This is my abstract, i will...
}
\begin{document}
    \section{Introduction}
```

¹This happens because any values passed to the .cls file via the \documentclass command are processed before certain macros are loaded.

Long time ago...
\section{Analysis}
\subsection{Point1}
...
\subsection{Point2}
...

\section{Conclusion}
All in all...
\end{document}

References in **spArticle** are managed through biblatex. To specify a .bib file, simply assign its name to the **ref** option. For instance:

\documentclass[ref=myref]{spArticle}

or

\documentclass[ref=myref.bib]{spArticle}

If your .bib file is named ref.bib, you do not need to supply the filename explicitly, because spArticle sets the default value of ref to ref. Note that the .bib file must reside in the same directory as the main .tex file.

By default, spArticle invokes the command \nocite{*}, causing all entries in the .bib file to appear in the bibliography. If you prefer not to cite all entries—particularly when using a single .bib file as a large citation library—you may disable this feature by setting the private Boolean variable nocite to false, for example:

\documentclass[ref=myref, nocite=false]
{spArticle}

1.2 Compile

It is recommended to compile using xelatex and biber. In most cases, the following sequence will suffice:

xelatex (tex_file_name) % with .tex or not biber (tex_file_name) % with no .tex xelatex (tex_file_name) xelatex (tex_file_name) This workflow ensures that references and bibliographic entries are correctly generated and updated in your final document.

Occasionally, LaTeX compilers behave unpredictably, generating unusual errors or warnings even when the output document is correct. Moreover, the compilation process may sometimes rely on external tools—such as Python or Inkscape—for tasks like generating visual graphs or processing data. In these cases, it is advisable to include specific options with xelatex to ensure a smoother compilation process:

xelatex -interaction=nonstopmode
-shell-escape (tex_file_name)

2 Feature Library

2.1 Math and Physics Symbol Support

The spArticle class automatically loads amsmath and other packages that provide a comprehensive suite of mathematical symbols. Consequently, you can enter mathematical expressions directly without the need for additional configuration.

$$\langle x_f, t_f | x_i, t_i \rangle = \int \mathcal{D}[x(t)] \exp\left(\frac{i}{\hbar}S[x(t)]\right), \quad (1)$$

$$\gamma_{\text{Berry}} = i \int_{C} \langle \psi(\lambda) \mid \nabla_{\lambda} \psi(\lambda) \rangle \cdot d\lambda,$$
(2)

2.2 tikz

The spArticle class automatically loads the tikz package, allowing you to create diagrams and figures directly without any additional configuration.²

²This figure's origin code is copy from mathcha.

2.2.2 circuitikz

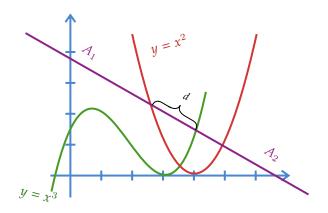


Figure 1: tikz draw graph example

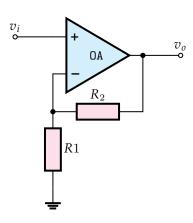


Figure 4: circuit graph demo

2.2.1 tikz-cd

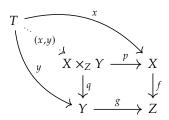


Figure 2: commutative diagram demo1

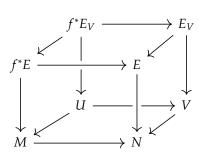


Figure 3: commutative diagram demo2

2.3 Chemistry

In addition, spAbstract loads various chemistry-related macros, including mhchem and similar packages.

$$\operatorname{Zn^{2+}} \xrightarrow[+2\,\operatorname{H^{+}}]{+2\,\operatorname{H^{+}}} \operatorname{Zn}(\operatorname{OH})_{2} \downarrow \xrightarrow[+2\,\operatorname{H^{+}}]{+2\,\operatorname{H^{+}}}} [\operatorname{Zn}(\operatorname{OH})_{4}]^{2-} \xrightarrow[\operatorname{Hydroxozikat}]{+2\,\operatorname{H^{+}}}$$

$$x\,\mathrm{Na}(\mathrm{NH_4})\mathrm{HPO_4} \stackrel{\Delta}{\longrightarrow} (\mathrm{NaPO_3})_x + x\,\mathrm{NH_3} \uparrow + x\,\mathrm{H_2O}$$

$$\operatorname{Hg}^{2+} \xrightarrow{\operatorname{I}^{-}} \operatorname{HgI}_{2} \xrightarrow{\operatorname{I}^{-}} \operatorname{Hg}^{\operatorname{II}} \operatorname{I}_{4}^{2-}$$
 (3)

chemfig is also provided, here are some example:

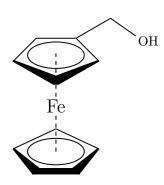


Figure 5: Ferrocene, Fc. author: Lineas de ayuda, cuadricula

https://tex.stackexchange.com/questions/78275/how-to-draw-ligands-with-different-hapticities

$$\bigwedge^{\eta} \bigoplus_{X} \bigoplus_{\Theta} \bigvee_{X} \bigoplus_{X} \bigoplus_{X$$

Figure 6: mesomeric effect

$$OH \xrightarrow{\begin{array}{c} O \\ P \\ OH \end{array}} OH \xrightarrow{\begin{array}{c} N \\ N \\ OH \end{array}} OH$$

Figure 7: Structure of adenosine triphosphate (ATP), protonated

2.4 hlight math

This insight is derived from the GitHub repository annotated_latex_equations.

Expectation
$$P\left(\mu - \bar{X} \ge t\right) \le \exp\left(-\frac{2N^2t^2}{\sum\limits_{i=1}^{N} (b_i - a_i)^2}\right)$$
Hoeffding inequation

References

Beeton, B. (2003). The history of tex and latex. TUG-boat, 24(1), 11-24.

Group, T. U. (2023). Tex live - official manual [Available at https://www.tug.org/texlive/]. TeX Users Group.

Knuth, D. E. (1986). The texbook. Addison-Wesley.

Lamport, L. (1994). Latex: A document preparation system (2nd). Addison-Wesley.

Mittelbach, F., Goossens, M., Braams, J., Carlisle, D., & Rowley, C. (2004). *The latex companion* (2nd). Addison-Wesley.

Redaelli, M. A., Lindner, S., Erhardt, S., & Giannetti, R. (2024). *Circuitikz*. https://github.com/circuitikz/circuitikz.

Tellechea, C. (2024). chemfig: A TeX package for drawing molecules. https://ctan.org/pkg/chemfig.

Wasserman, T. (2024). tikzcd: Commutative diagrams with TikZ. https://ctan.math.washington.edu/tex-archive/graphics/pgf/contrib/tikz-cd/tikz-cd-doc.pdf.

Wen-Wei, L. (2024). AlJabr-1 (2nd). https://github.com/wenweili/AlJabr-1.