

## 1 Table of contents

```
\documentclass[a4paper]{article}

\begin{document}

\title{Getting started with LaTeX}
\author{You \and Me}
\date{\today}
\maketitle

\tableofcontents

\section{Title of the First Section}
... text ...
\subsection{Title of the First Subsection}
... text ...
\subsubsection{Title of the First Subsubsection}
... text ...
\subsubsection*{Title of the Second Subsubsection}
\addcontentsline{toc}{subsubsection}{Something Else}

\end{document}
```

## 2 Making lists

There are two main ways to create lists in LaTeX, `enumerate` (for numbered lists) and `itemize`. Here is an example using `enumerate`

```
%As always we have to start the environment
\begin{enumerate}
%Add items to the list via \item
\item This is a thing
\item This is another thing
\end{enumerate}
```

The lists don't have to be numbered. Using `itemize` will give you bullet points (but you can change what they are).

```
\begin{itemize}
%Again we add items to the list with \item
\item Stuff
\item More stuff
\end{itemize}
```

### 3 Math mode

```
\usepackage{amsmath}
```

One of the primary reasons you will use `\LaTeX` is for writing equations.

```
\begin{equation}
F_{\text{net}}=ma
\end{equation}
```

Equations don't have to be numbered. You can disable the numbering by putting an asterisk in the begin and end statements

```
\begin{equation*}
E=mc^2
\end{equation*}
```

It is also very convenient to write multiple lines in an equation using the align environment:

```
\begin{align*}
2x - 5y &= 8 \\
3x + 9y &= -12
\end{align*}
```

You can write all sorts of fancy symbols (which can be found on the cheatsheet!)

```
\begin{equation*}
i\hbar \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \Psi = \hat{H} \Psi
\end{equation*}
```

Math mode can be used inline with text (e.g.  $e^{-\lambda x}$ ) which is very convenient. All you need to do is wrap your equation (or whatever you are using) in dollar signs.

### 4 Chemistry equations

```
\usepackage{mhchem}
```

Making pretty looking chemistry equations:

```
\ce{CO2 + C -> 2CO}
```

## 5 Making tables

```
\usepackage{booktabs}

\title{Oh how the tables have turned}
\author{You \and Me}
\date{\today}
\maketitle

Here we will create tables which can be a nice way of presenting data.

%Begin the tabular environment
\begin{center}
%The c's indicate center justified text
%Vertical lines will put vertical lines between columns
\begin{tabular} { c c c }
\toprule
Fruit & Quantity & Price \\ \midrule
Apple & 2 & \$2.00 \\ \midrule
Banana & 5 & \$3.50 \\ \midrule
Orange & 8 & \$4.00 \\
\bottomrule

\end{tabular}
\end{center}
```

## 6 Adding Figures

```
%Use the graphics package
\usepackage{xcolor,graphicx}

%As always we have to start the environment
\begin{figure}[h]
%This is how we can center the figure
\begin{center}
%You can resize the figure using the scale option
%There are options to clip the figure as well
\includegraphics[scale=0.5]{figure_example.png}
\end{center}
%Add your caption here
\caption{We can add captions to our figures as well}
%Close the environment
```

```
\end{figure}
```

## 7 Formatting text

```
\documentclass[a4paper]{article}
```

```
\usepackage{color}
```

```
\usepackage{amsmath}
```

```
\begin{document}
```

```
\title{My first LaTeX Document}
```

```
\author{You \and Me}
```

```
\date{\today}
```

```
\maketitle
```

We can do all kinds of things with text. You can make text `\textbf{bold}`, `\emph{italicized}`, and `\textcolor{blue}{coloured}`. In addition it is also useful to know how to superscript text  $A^{\text{stuff}}$  or subscript  $B_{\text{stuff}}$ .

```
\end{document}
```

## 8 Citing using bibtex

```
\begin{document}
```

```
\title{My first LaTeX Document}
```

```
\author{You \and Me}
```

```
\date{\today}
```

```
\maketitle
```

This is a citation `\cite{greenwade93}`. You will probably need to compile twice to get the reference to show up.

```
\bibliographystyle{plain}
```

```
\bibliography{example_bib}
```

```
\end{document}
```

## 9 Bib file

```
@article{greenwade93,  
  author = "George D. Greenwade",  
  title  = "The {C}omprehensive {T}ex {A}rchive  
    {N}etwork ({CTAN})",  
  year   = "1993",  
  journal = "TUGBoat",  
  volume = "14",  
  number = "3",  
  pages  = "342--351"  
}
```

## 10 Plotting with L<sup>A</sup>T<sub>E</sub>X

Plotting from a csv file made easy:

```
\usepackage{tikz}  
  
\usepackage{csvsimple}  
  
\usepackage{tikzscale}  
  
\usepackage{pgfplots, pgfplotstable}  
  
\usepgfplotslibrary{statistics}  
  
\pgfplotsset{compat=1.7}  
  
  
\begin{figure}[hb]  
  \centering  
  \begin{tikzpicture}  
    \begin{semilogyaxis}[  
      grid=major,  
      width=\textwidth,  
      height=8cm,  
      title={Uncalibrated Gamma Spectrum},  
      xlabel={channel},  
      xmin=0,  
      xmax=450,  
      xtick={50,100,150,200,250,300,350,400},  
      ylabel={Counts}],  
    \addplot[only marks, mark size=1pt] table [col sep = comma]{spectrum.csv};  
  \end{tikzpicture}  
\end{figure}
```

```

\end{semilogyaxis}
\end{tikzpicture}
\caption{The uncalibrated gamma spectrum (raw data from the MCA). Peak channel numbers will
\end{figure}

```

You can also plot datapoints directly:

```

\begin{figure}[h!]
\centering
\begin{tikzpicture}

\begin{axis}[
grid=major,
legend pos=south east,
width=0.7\textwidth,
title={Calibration Curve},
xlabel={Channel Number},
ylabel={Energy (keV)},]
\addplot[only marks] coordinates {
(16,60)
(27,75)
(183,662)
(328.5,1172)
(371.5,1332) };
\addlegendentry{Measured Points}
\addplot[draw=red][domain=0:400]{3.5805*x}; \addlegendentry{y = 3.5805x}
\end{axis}
\end{tikzpicture}
\caption{The calibration curve produced from the three sources used in this experiment.}
\end{figure}

```