

1 Markdown to LaTeX Comprehensive Guide

1.1 Features at a Glance

- **Standard Markdown Support:** Headings, lists, tables, links, images, blockquotes, and more.
- **Text Formatting:** Bold, italic, underline, strikethrough, highlight, superscript, subscript, small caps.
- **Code Blocks:** Syntax highlighting, inline code, executable Python code with output/plots.
- **Diagrams:** Mermaid diagrams for flowcharts and graphs.
- **Task Lists:** Checkboxes for to-do and progress tracking.
- **Footnotes:** Inline and reference footnotes.
- **Math:** Inline and display math with LaTeX syntax.
- **Definition Lists:** Term-definition pairs.
- **Tables:** Pipe tables, captions, and alignment.
- **Alerts Containers:** Note, tip, important, warning, caution, box, and alignment containers.
- **Custom Extensions:** Center/right alignment, keyboard shortcuts, line breaks, and more.
- **Metadata Variables:** JSON metadata, document variables, and title page templates.
- **Emoji Support:** Use emojis anywhere in your markdown for expressive documents! 😊

1.2 Headings

markdown

```
g+gh# Heading 1  
g+gu## Heading 2  
g+gu### Heading 3  
g+gu#### Heading 4  
g+gu##### Heading 5  
g+gu##### Heading 6
```

2 Heading 1

2.1 Heading 2

2.1.1 Heading 3

Heading 4

Heading 5

Heading 6

2.2 Text Formatting

2.2.1 Bold

markdown

```
g+gs**bold text** or g+gs__bold text__
```

bold text or bold text

2.2.2 Italic

markdown

```
g+ge_italic text_ or g+ge*italic text*
```

italic text or *italic text*

2.2.3 Bold + Italic

markdown

```
g+gs**_bold and italic_* or ***bold and italic***
```

bold and italic or ***bold and italic***

2.2.4 Strikethrough

markdown

```
g+gd~~strikethrough text~~
```

~~strikethrough text~~

2.2.5 Highlight

markdown

```
==highlighted text==
```

highlighted text

2.2.6 Superscript

markdown

```
^superscript^ (e.g., x^2^)
```

superscript (e.g., x^2)

2.2.7 Subscript

markdown

```
~subscript~ (e.g., H~2~0)
```

subscript (e.g., H_2O)

2.2.8 Small Caps

markdown

```
:sc[Small Caps Text]
```

SMALL CAPS TEXT

2.2.9 Underline

```
:u[Underlined Text]
```

markdown

Underlined Text

2.3 Inline Code

```
l+s+sb`inline code`
```

markdown

inline code

2.4 Code Blocks

2.4.1 Fenced Code Block

```
l+s+sb```python
kdef+w n+nfhellop():
    n+nbprintp(l+s+s2"Hello, World!"p)
l+s+sb```

```

markdown

```
kdef+w n+nfhellop():
    n+nbprintp(l+s+s2"Hello, World!"p)
```

python

2.4.2 Code Block Without Language

```
l+s+sb```
l+s+sbplain text code block
l+s+sb```

```

markdown

plain text code block

2.4.3 Terminal Block

```
l+s+sb```terminal
l+s$ command
l+soutput result
l+s+sb```

```

markdown

```
$ command
output result
```

terminal

2.5 Links

markdown

```
[n+ntlink text](n+nahttps://example.com)
```

link text

markdown

```
[n+ntlink text](n+nahttps://example.com "title")
```

link text

2.6 Images

markdown

```
![n+ntalt text](n+naimage.jpg)
```



markdown

```
![n+ntalt text](n+naimage.jpg "title")
```

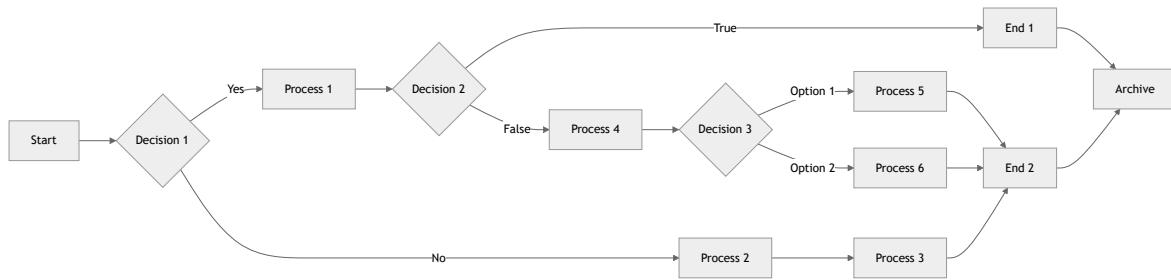


Figure 1: title

2.7 Mermaid Diagrams

markdown

```
l+s+sb```mermaid
l+graph LR;
l+s A[Start] --> B{Decision 1};
l+s B -- Yes --> C[Process 1];
l+s B -- No --> D[Process 2];
l+s C --> E{Decision 2};
l+s D --> F[Process 3];
l+s E -- True --> G[End 1];
l+s E -- False --> H[Process 4];
l+s H --> I{Decision 3};
l+s I -- Option 1 --> J[Process 5];
l+s I -- Option 2 --> K[Process 6];
l+s J --> L[End 2];
l+s K --> L;
l+s F --> L;
l+s G --> M[Archive];
l+s L --> M;
l+s+sb```
```



2.8 Lists

2.8.1 Unordered List

```

k-+w Item 1
k-+w Item 2
+w k-+w Nested item 2.1
+w k-+w Nested item 2.2
k-+w Item 3
  
```

markdown

- Item 1
- Item 2
 - Nested item 2.1
 - Nested item 2.2
- Item 3

2.8.2 Ordered List

```

k1. First item
k2. Second item
+w k1. Nested item 2.1
+w k2. Nested item 2.2
k3. Third item
  
```

markdown

1. First item
2. Second item
 1. Nested item 2.1
 2. Nested item 2.2
3. Third item

2.8.3 Task Lists

```

k- [x] Completed task
k- [ ] Incomplete task
k-+w [/] Partially completed task
  
```

markdown

- Completed task
- Incomplete task
- Partially completed task

2.9 Definition Lists

markdown

Term 1
: Definition 1

Term 2
: Definition 2a
: Definition 2b

Term 1
Definition 1

Term 2
Definition 2a
Definition 2b

2.10 Tables

2.10.1 Pipe Tables

markdown

Left	Center	Right	Default
L1	C1	R1	Default
L2	C2	R2	Default

Left	Center	Right	Default
L1	C1	R1	Default
L2	C2	R2	Default

2.11 Table with Captions

markdown

Header 1	Header 2	Header 3
Cell 1	Cell 2	Cell 3
Cell 4	Cell 5	Cell 6

: Sample Table with Caption

Header 1	Header 2	Header 3
Cell 1	Cell 2	Cell 3
Cell 4	Cell 5	Cell 6

Table 1: Sample Table with Caption

2.12 Horizontal Rule

```
---
```

markdown

```
***
```

markdown

```
---
```

markdown

2.13 Math Expressions

2.13.1 Inline Math

```
This is inline math: $E = mc^2$
```

markdown

This is inline math: $E = mc^2$

2.13.2 Display Math

```
$$
```

```
\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-x^2} dx = \frac{\sqrt{\pi}}{2}
```

```
$$
```

markdown

$$\int_0^\infty e^{-x^2} dx = \frac{\sqrt{\pi}}{2}$$

2.14 Footnotes

2.14.1 Inline Footnote

```
Text with inline footnote[This is the footnote content].
```

markdown

Text with inline footnote^[1].

[1] This is the footnote content

2.14.2 Reference Footnote

markdown

Text with reference footnote^[^1].

[n+nl^1]: n+naThis is the footnote content.

Text with reference footnote^[2].

2.15 Keyboard Shortcuts

2.15.1 Single Key

markdown

[[Ctrl]]

Ctrl

2.15.2 Key Combination with Plus

markdown

[[Ctrl] + [C]]

Ctrl + C

2.16 Line Break

2.16.1 Using Two Spaces

Put two spaces at the end of a line 1 to create a line break.

markdown

Line 1<space><space>
Line 2

Line 1
Line 2

2.16.2 Using Backslash

markdown

Line 1\
Line 2

Line 1
Line 2

[2] This is the footnote content.

2.16.3 Using HTML `
` Tag

markdown

```
Line 1<br>
Line 2
```

Line 1
Line 2

markdown

```
Line 1<br/>
Line 2
```

Line 1
Line 2

2.16.4 Using Empty Line (Paragraph Break)

markdown

```
Line 1
```

```
Line 2
```

Line 1
Line 2

2.17 Blockquotes

2.17.1 Basic Blockquote

markdown

```
k> g+geThis is a blockquote.
```

This is a blockquote.

2.17.2 Multi-line Blockquote

markdown

```
k> g+geThis is a blockquote.
k> g+geIt can span multiple lines.
k>
g+ge> And multiple paragraphs.
```

This is a blockquote. It can span multiple lines.
And multiple paragraphs.

2.17.3 Nested Blockquotes

markdown

```
k> g+geLevel 1
k>
g+ge> > Level 2
k> g+ge>
k> g+ge> > Level 3
```

Level 1

 | Level 2

 | Level 3

2.18 Container Alerts

2.18.1 Note Alert

markdown

```
::: note
This is a note alert with blue styling.
:::
```

NOTE

This is a note alert with blue styling.

2.18.2 Tip Alert

markdown

```
::: tip
This is a tip alert with green styling.
:::
```

TIP

This is a tip alert with green styling.

2.18.3 Important Alert

markdown

```
::: important
This is an important alert with purple styling.
:::
```

IMPORTANT

This is an important alert with purple styling.

2.18.4 Warning Alert

```
markdown  
::: warning  
This is a warning alert with yellow/orange styling.  
:::
```

WARNING

This is a warning alert with yellow/orange styling.

2.18.5 Caution Alert

```
markdown  
::: caution  
This is a caution alert with red styling.  
:::
```

CAUTION

This is a caution alert with red styling.

2.19 Text Alignment Containers

2.19.1 Center Alignment

```
markdown  
::: center  
This text is centered  
:::
```

This text is centered

2.19.2 Right Alignment

```
markdown  
::: right  
Right-aligned text  
:::
```

Right-aligned text

2.20 Box Container

2.20.1 Basic Box

```
markdown  
::: box  
Text in a bordered box  
:::
```

Text in a bordered box

2.21 Executable Python Code Blocks

The converter supports executing Python code blocks directly within your markdown and including their output or generated plots in the final PDF.

2.21.1 Prerequisites

For Python code execution to work, you need Python installed on your system. To generate plots with matplotlib, install the required packages:

powershell

```
npython n-m npip ninstall nmatplotlib nnumpy
```

2.21.2 Available Properties

- **.execute** - Execute the code block (required)
- **.show-code** - Display the source code in the output
- **.show-output** - Display execution output/plot (default)
- **.hide-code** - Explicitly hide the source code (default)
- **.hide-output** - Hide execution output/plot
- **.cache** - Cache the execution output (default)
- **.no-cache** - Do not use cache and force re-execution

2.21.3 Examples 1

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```
l+s+sb``python+w {.execute}
n+nbprintp(l+s+s2"Hello, World!"p)
l+s+sb``
```

output

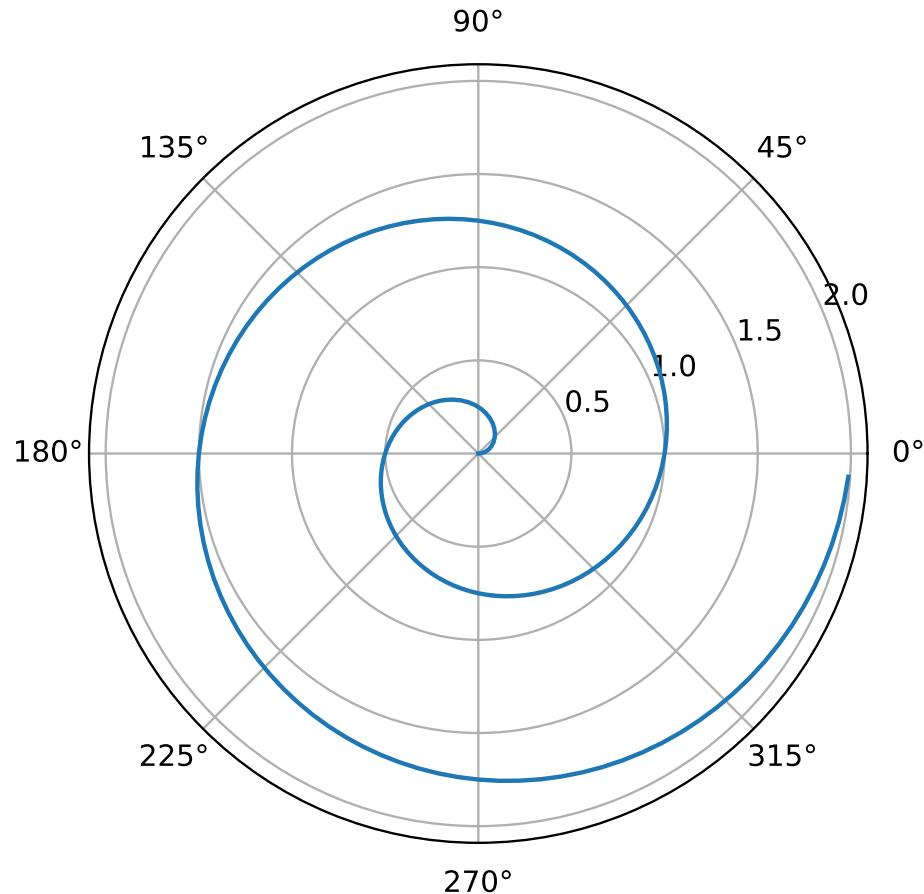
```
g+goHello, World!
```

2.21.4 Examples 2

markdown

```
l+s+sb``python+w {.execute}
k+knimport+w n+nnnumpy+w kas+w n+nnnp
k+knimport+w n+nnmatplotlib.pyplot+w kas+w n+nnplt

nr o= nnpo.narangep(l+m+mi0p, l+m+mi2p, l+m+mf0.01p)
ntheta o= l+m+mi2 o* nnpo.npi o* nr
nfigp, nax o= nplt.nsubplotsp(
    subplot_kw o= p{l+s+s1'projection'p: l+s+s1'polar'p}
p)
naxo.nplotp(nthetap, nrp)
naxo.nset_rticks([l+m+mf0.5p, l+m+mi1p, l+m+mf1.5p, l+m+mi2p])
naxo.ngridp(k+kcTruep)
nplt.nshowp()
l+s+sb``
```



2.22 Document Metadata (JSON)

Document metadata is configured in a separate JSON file:

```

p{
+w n+nt"title"p:+w l+s+s2"Document Title"p,
+w n+nt"subtitle"p:+w l+s+s2"Course Name"p,
+w n+nt"submittedto"p:+w l+s+s2"Professor Name"p,
+w n+nt"university"p:+w l+s+s2"University Name"p,
+w n+nt"department"p:+w l+s+s2"Department Name"p,
+w n+nt"date"p:+w l+s+s2"January 1, 2024"p,
+w n+nt"submittedby"p:+w p[
    p{
        n+nt"name"p:+w l+s+s2"Student Name"p,
        n+nt"roll"p:+w l+s+s2"Registration Number"
    p}
p],
+n+nt"titleTemplate"p:+w l+m+mi1p,
+n+nt"enableContentPage"p:+w k+kcfalsep,
+n+nt"enablePageCredits"p:+w k+kcfalsep,
+n+nt"moveFootnotesToEnd"p:+w k+kcfalsep,
+n+nt"enableThatsAllPage"p:+w k+kcfalsep,
+n+nt"footnotesAsComments"p:+w k+kcfalsep,
+n+nt"tocDepth"p:+w l+m+mi3p,
+n+nt"variables"p:+w p{}
```

2.22.1 Title Template Modes

The `titleTemplate` setting controls how the title page is displayed:

- **0** : No title (disabled)
- **1** : Full university title page with logo (default) - Good for assignments and reports
- **2** : Title header above content - Good for notes
- **3** : Title on separate page - Good for when the contents are enabled

2.22.2 JSON Variables

You can define variables in the JSON metadata file and use them throughout your markdown document. Variables are defined under the `"variables"` key and referenced using `{{variable_name}}` syntax.

Example JSON with variables:

```
p{  
+w  n+nt"variables"p:+w p{  
+w    n+nt"author"p:+w l+s+s2"abd"p,  
+w    n+nt"version"p:+w l+s+s2"1.2.3"p,  
+w    n+nt"course"p:+w l+s+s2"CS 101"p,  
+w    n+nt"semester"p:+w l+s+s2"Fall 2025"p,  
+w    n+nt"university_full"p:+w l+s+s2"University of Engineering and  
    ↵   Technology"  
+w  p}  
p}
```

json

```
This report was written by {{author}} for {{course}} during  
↪ {{semester}}.
```

markdown

```
Software version: {{version}}
```

```
Institution: {{university_full}}
```

This report was written by abd for CS 101 during Fall 2025.

Software version: 1.2.3

Institution: University of Engineering and Technology