

Introduction to L^AT_EX

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- ▶ We are going to talk about how to use \LaTeX using WinEdt

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`\command[options]{...}`.
 An example is `\textbf{bold text}` that creates **bold text**.

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Structure

A document can be divided in chapters as follows:

```
\section{name of the chapter...}
text...
\subsection{...}
text...
\subsubsection{...}
text...
\section {...}
...
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- ▶ This is valid as well for tables, graphs, lists etc.

Tables I

Tables are included using the `table` and `tabular` environments. A typical piece of code is

```
\begin{table}
\centering
\begin{tabular}{l|cc} \hline \hline
& US & GE \\ \hline
GP & 30 & 20 \\ \hline
CA & 1.4 & 0.9 \\ \hline \hline
\end{tabular}
\caption{A nice table.}\label{...}
\end{table}
```

The result is

	US	GE
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Lists

The **itemize** environment is suitable for simple lists, the **enumerate** environment for enumerated lists, and the **description** environment for descriptions.

The basic structure is

```
\begin{enumerate}  
\item The first issue.  
\item Second,...  
\item Third,...  
\end{enumerate}
```


Graphics

Graphics are included using the `graphicx` package. The code looks like

```
\begin{figure}  
\includegraphics[...]{filename w/o extension}  
\caption{a description...}  
\label{label for references}  
\end{figure}
```

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- ▶ separately as a formula:

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which gives:

$$\alpha = \beta + \gamma \tag{1}$$

Besides `eqnarray`, there are other environments such as `equation`, `eqnarray*`...

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- ▶ To get the formulas ordered we use the `eqnarray` environment:

```
\begin{eqnarray}
y^{\{i\}}_t&=&c_t+\dots \quad \backslash\backslash
a_t \quad &=&\dots \backslash nonumber
\end{eqnarray}
```

Bibliography

There are basically two options:

1. You can create manually a bibliography.
2. You use BibT_EX. This needs more time but it is convenient in the long-term.

I am going to present only the first option. I am doing this for the **Harvard** bibliography style.

- ▶ A bibliography is an environment. A reference can be created as follows

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- ▶ To refer to a reference there are several options. One possibility

...as has been shown by `\citeasnoun{cite-key}`.

Slides?

There are special packages that allow you to create pdf slides for presentation. This presentation has been made using the **beamer**-package.

There are several introductory descriptions in the net. The code for this presentation will be available as well.

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 - ▶ **MikTeX**, **Ghostscript**, **Ghostview** and **Acrobat Reader** are available for free in the net.
 - ▶ Also **WinEdt** can be downloaded but you need a license. You can get it from the computing service.
 - ▶ ... that's all you need.

Resources II

To get new packages for L^AT_EX

- ▶ use the MikTeX package manager.
- ▶ If this does not work, try to download them from the Comprehensive TeX Archive Network (CTAN). (See the CTS web site)