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Document Structure Commands

- \documentclass{...} To specify the overall layout of a document.
- \title{...} Sets the main title of the document.
- \author{...} Sets the author of the document.
- \date{\today} Sets the date to the current date.
- \begin{document} Initiates the document structure.
- \maketitle To display the preamble i.e. title, author , date ...
- \tableofcontents For table of contents

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Content Commands and Usag

- % Indicate a comment
- \par It is used to create line breaks, similar to pressing "Enter" in a word processor
- \noindent To suppress the indentation
- hspace To give a space horizontally
- \vspace To give a space vertically \end{center} To center block of text, images or diagrams etc.

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Formatting Commands and Usage

- \textbf{...} Used to make the enclosed text bold
- $\bullet \setminus textit\{...\}$ Used to make the enclosed text italic
- \underline{...} Used to underline the enclosed text.

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Section Commands and Usage

- \section{...} To define a new section in the document
- \subsection{...} To define a new section under the main section
- ullet \subsubsection $\{\dots\}$ To define a new section under the subsection
- \section *{...} To create an unnumbered section or heading

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List Commands and Usage

- \begin{itemize} Starts a bulleted list environment.
- \begin{enumerate} Initiates a numbered list environment.
- \begin{equation} Begins a mathematical equation environment.
- \begin{table} Initiates a table environment.
- \begin{figure} Starts a figure or graphic environment.

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Math Commands and Usage

- \$... \$ For inserting mathematical expressions within a line a text
- \[... \] For inserting mathematical expressions to appear as a centered equation on its own line
- \dots For 3 dots (...)
- \sqrt{...} For inserting square root

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Figures, Images Commands and Usage

- \usepackage{graphicx} Importing the graphicx package
- \usepackage{subfigure} Importing subfigures under a main figure
- \begin{figure} ... \end{figure} To Insert images, diagrams or illustrations
- \begin{center} ... \end{center} To center images, diagrams, illustrations or even block of text
- \includegraphics{image.jpg} To include external files eg. images
- \caption{Eg. This is an image} To indicate a caption

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Formatting the image

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- \includegraphics[height=200pt, width=100pt]{image.jpg} Including a figure and specifying the height and width
- \begin{figure}[!t] ... \end{figure} Place the image at the top of the page
- \begin\figure\figure\figure\ Place the image at the bottom of the page
- \begin{figure}[!here] ... \end{figure} Place the image at the exact place of the editor (h means here)
- \subfigure{\includegraphics{image.jpg}} To add a subimage or a subfigure
- \subfigure[This is a subcaption] {\includegraphics{image.jpg}} - To add a sub caption to a figure

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