

# LaTeX reference

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- [https://www.sharelatex.com/learn/Main\\_Page](https://www.sharelatex.com/learn/Main_Page)
- <http://texdoc.net/texmf-dist/doc/latex/lshort-english/lshort.pdf>
- <http://texdoc.net/texmf-dist/doc/latex/titlesec/titlesec.pdf>

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# 1. TYPES OF DOCUMENTS

```
\documentclass[<options>]{<document_type>}
```

Document types:

- article
  - options:  
12pt twoside
- book
- resume
- aastex (see §??)

# 2. UNITS

**px** pixels, depends on browser, use for electronic media

**pt** points, use in print media

**em** Horizontal size, 1em is equal to the font size of the text.

**ex** Vertical size, 1ex is equal to the height of the letter ‘x’ in the relevant font (usually).

# 3. LAYOUT

## 3.1 SPACING AND ALIGNMENT

<http://www.terminally-incoherent.com/blog/2007/09/19/latex-squeezing-the-vertical-white-space/>

```
\setlength{\parindent}{0pt}
\setlength{\parskip}{0pt}
\setlength{\headsep}{0pt}
\setlength{\topskip}{0pt}
\setlength{\topmargin}{0pt}
\setlength{\topsep}{0pt}
\setlength{\partopsep}{0pt}
\vspace{20 mm} % vertical blank space
\hspace{20 mm} % horizontal blank space
\hfill % Pad with horizontal space to end of line
\hspace*{\fill}
\noindent
\,
\thinspace
\! % negative thin space
\; % medium space
\; % large space
\enspace
\quad
\qquad
\\ % Force line break
\mbox{text} % Prevent line break
\newline % Same as \\, but more vertical blank space?
\newpage % Start a new page, or new column if using multicols environment.
\clearpage % Starts new page regardless of number of columns.
% Also restricts floats: useful for placing figures where you want them
% (had to put this before and after each deluxetable in aastex).
% "Forces pending floats from the stack to be typeset starting on the page
% that follows the page break. Flushes out all floats that have been deferred.
```

```

\begin{samepage}... \end{samepage} % Prevent page break.

% This changes the spacing for everything in the document,
% including footnotes and tables.
\renewcommand{\baselinestretch}{1.5}

% Can apply this to only part of text?
\usepackage{setspace}...\setstretch{1.5}

% Same as previous option?
\usepackage[doublespacing]{setspace}

```

Also see §8.

```
\usepackage{ragged2e}
```

Commands:

```

\flushleft
\enter
\flushright

```

Environments:

```

\begin{flushright}...\end{flushright}
\begin{flushleft}...\end{flushleft}
\begin{center}... \end{center}
\begin{justify}... \end{justify}

```

NOTE: Vertical space commands won't work if they're part of a horizontal line. E.g. `\vfill` and `\vspace` must be preceded by a line break, and there needs to be physical content on both sides of the space. Use `\null` to create 'fake content', e.g. `\newpage \null \vfill ...`

## 3.2 MARGINS

<https://tex.stackexchange.com/questions/42371/margins-and-text-position>

The `fullpage` package is the simplest way to decrease margins.

The `geometry` package (can set options globally, or separately with the `\geometry` command):

```

\usepackage[margin=1in]{geometry}
\usepackage[left=1in, right=1in, top=1in, bottom=1in]{geometry}
\usepackage[linewidth=6.0in]{geometry}
\usepackage[paperwidth=140mm, paperheight=105mm]{geometry}
\usepackage[hmargin=1cm, vmargin=1cm]{geometry}

```

% Or:

```

\usepackage{geometry}
\geometry{linewidth=7cm}
\geometry{paperwidth=140mm, paperheight=105mm}

```

```

% Change geometry within document
\newgeometry{left=3cm, bottom=0.1cm}
...
\restoregeometry

```

Hacky way to change margins:

1. Sides (odd- and even-numbered pages):

```

\addtolength{\oddsidemargin}{-0.875in}
\addtolength{\evensidemargin}{-0.875in}
\addtolength{\textwidth}{1.75in}

```

## 2. Top/bottom:

```
\addtolength{\topmargin}{-0.875in}
\addtolength{\textheight}{1.75in}
```

Change margins in text:

```
\usepackage{changepage}
\begin{document}
...
\begin{adjustwidth}{<left>}{<right>}
...
\end{adjustwidth}
```

Custom environment to change margins in only a portion of text; it will indent the left and right margins by the values given.

```
\newenvironment{changemargin}[2]{%
\begin{list}{}{%
\setlength{\topsep}{0pt}%
\setlength{\leftmargin}{#1}%
\setlength{\rightmargin}{#2}%
\setlength{\listparindent}{\parindent}%
\setlength{\itemindent}{\parindent}%
\setlength{\parsep}{\parskip}%
}%
\item[]{}\end{list}}
```

Leave sections and headers alone, and reduce the margins of regular text? Increase subsection margins halfway.

### 3.2.1 MARGIN NOTES

Add notes to margins with `\marginpar{text in margins}`, or for more flexibility, use the `marginnote` package:

```
\usepackage{marginnote}
\usepackage{showframe,marginnote} % box around margins
\setlength{\marginparwidth}{1in}
\renewcommand*{\marginfont}{\color{red}\sffamily}
\renewcommand*{\raggedleftmarginnote}{} % ?
\renewcommand*{\raggedrightmarginnote}{\centering} % ??
\renewcommand*{\marginnotevadjust}{40pt} % Vertically shift margin notes (?)

\begin{document}
\marginnote{<right>} % aligned left (ragged right)
\marginpar{<right>} % aligned left (ragged right)
\reversemarginpar % Switch to left side margins
\marginnote{<left>} % aligned right (ragged left)
\marginpar{<left>} % aligned left (ragged right)
\normalmarginpar % switch back

% Maybe don't need \reversemarginpar ??
\marginnote[<left>]{<right>}[vertical drop in cm]

% Example:
\hspace{0pt} % Put note next to section title text, rather than above it,
% which is done by default for some stupid reason
\reversemarginpar
\marginnote{}
```

Use curly braces to mark text that margin notes are referring to:

```
\usepackage{schemata}
\schema[open|close]{body text}{margin text}
```

Sized to enclose whatever text it's opening toward (body or margin) although same amount of space will be allotted for the other...

Put a vertical bar between document text and notes in margin:

```
\usepackage[ color , leftbars ]{changebar} % On right side by default
\cbcolor{red}
\setlength\changebarsep{10pt}
\setlength\changebarwidth{1pt}
...
\cbstart
...
\cbend
```

## 4. HEADERS AND FOOTERS

```
\usepackage{fancyhdr}

% Automatically generates a header
%   with section name
\pagestyle{fancy}

\setlength{\headheight}{15pt}
\lhead{text} % Top left
\rhead{text} % Top right
\chead{text} % Top center
\lfoot{text} % Bottom left
\rfoot{text} % Bottom right
\cfoot{text} % Bottom center
```

The `\headheight` option sets the amount of space between the header and the top edge of the paper. Value has to be greater than 13.6, otherwise will get an error message. Document still compiles, but better safe than sorry. Setting the left, center, and/or right headers overwrites the one generated automatically.

### 4.1 PAGE NUMBERS

```
\pagenumbering{gobble}
\pagestyle{empty}
\fancyhf{} % Clear all headers and footers (including default page number).
\renewcommand{\headrulewidth}{0pt} % remove the header rule
\rfoot{\thepage}
\lfoot{\thepage}
```

### 4.2 FOOTNOTES

```
\usepackage[stable,symbol]{footmisc}
% stable: footnotes in section titles
% symbol: symbols instead of numbers
```

```
% Re-start markers after each page:
\usepackage{perpage}
\MakePerPage{footnote}
```

```
\renewcommand{\footnoterule}{%
  \kern -3pt
  \hrule width \textwidth height 1pt
  \kern 2pt
}
\renewcommand{\footnoterule}{\rule{\linewidth}{5pt}} % Another option
```

```
% Current date (month, dd, yyyy)
%   in left|right|center footnote
\fancyfoot[L|R|C]{\tiny\itshape\today}
```

Example:

Here is some relevant information\footnote{  
See Guy et al. for additional information.}.

Here is some relevant information<sup>a</sup>.

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<sup>a</sup> See Guy et al. for additional information.

```
% Change format of date
\usepackage{yyyymmdd}{datetime}
\renewcommand{\dateseparator}{--}
\renewcommand{\dateseparator}{-}
\renewcommand{\dateseparator}{/}
```

## 5. FONTS

- [link](#)
- [Another link](#)

Font that applies to entire document:

```
\usepackage{lmodern}
\renewcommand\familydefault{\sfdefault} % base font of the document
\renewcommand*\familydefault{\sfdefault} % Difference from above??
\usepackage[T1]{fontenc}
```

NOTE: bfseries overrides scshape when using lmodern package.

### 5.1 FONT SIZE

```
\documentclass[12pt]{article}
\documentclass[11pt]{article}
\documentclass[10pt]{article} % default

\fontsize{<size>}{<baselineskip>}\selectfont
```

The baseline-skip should be set to roughly 1.2x the font size.

Example:

<code>\Huge</code>	<code>{\Large I want this text to be big.}</code>
<code>\huge</code>	<b>I want this text to be big.</b>
<code>\Large</code>	(enclosing entire thing in {}s keeps from having to use <code>\normalsize</code> at the
<code>\large</code>	end).
<code>\normalsize</code>	Can also use environments:
<code>\small</code>	<code>\begin{Large}</code>
<code>\footnotesize</code>	I want this text to be big.
<code>\scriptsize</code>	<code>\end{Large}</code>
<code>\tiny</code>	

### 5.2 FONT STYLE

#### 5.2.1 MODAL

```
\mdseries
\bfseries
\upshape
\itshape
\scshape
\slshape
\rmfamily
\sffamily
\ttfamily
```

These don't read text as an argument, and can somehow be used in the verbatim environment?

### 5.2.2 TEXTBLOCK

```
\textbf{bold}  
\textit{italics}  
\texttt{computer style}  
\textsf{sans serif}  
\textsl{slanted}  
\textsc{small caps}  
\emph{emphasis}  
\underline{underlined}  
\sout{striketrough}
```

**bold**

*italics*

computer style

sans serif

*slanted*

SMALL CAPS

emphasis

underlined

~~striketrough~~

Note: the `ulem` package is required to cross out text using `sout`, and also causes `\emph` to push emphasis on text by underlining it, rather than putting it in italics (`ulem` = underline emphasis).



## 6. SECTIONS

### Numbering

```
% Set depth of sections to number
\setcounter{secnumdepth}{0} % Don't number sections
\setcounter{secnumdepth}{1} % Number sections
\setcounter{secnumdepth}{2} % Number sections and subsections ...
```

<pre>\section{Title of first section} \subsection{Title of subsection} \subsubsection{Title of subsubsection} \paragraph{Paragraph heading} \subparagraph{Subparagraph heading}</pre>	Paragraphs are not numbered or followed by a line break. Note that <code>\paragraph{}</code> and <code>\par</code> are not the same thing. <code>\par</code> does the same thing as a blank line in the text file (starts a new paragraph).
---	---

### 6.1 CUSTOMIZE SECTION HEADINGS

NOTE: This is for the headings only, not the following text. Can't change vertical space between heading and text, or text color, since starting a section isn't the same as starting an environment.

NOTE: if using `aastex`, the title, abstract, and keywords will not appear in pdf if using the `titlesec` package.

```
\usepackage{titlesec}
\titleformat{<command>}
  [<shape>][<format>][<label>][<sep>][<before-code>][<after-code>]
```

Labels:

Shape:

<pre>hang % Default rightmargin, leftmargin % Titles are in the margins, % rather than body of page.</pre>	<pre>\arabic (1, 2, 3, ...) \alph (a, b, c, ...) \Alph (A, B, C, ...) \roman (i, ii, iii, ...) \Roman (I, II, III, ...) \fnsymbol ( , , , , , ...)</pre>
--	--

Can also simply tweak the existing title format:

```
\usepackage{titlesec}
\titleformat*{\section}{\LARGE\bfseries}
\titleformat*{\subsection}{\Large\bfseries}
\titleformat*{\subsubsection}{\large\bfseries}

\renewcommand{\thesection}{Text \arabic{section}} % Text in front of label
\renewcommand{\thesubsection}{\Roman{section}} % Roman numerals
```

`\par` can't be used to start a new line in `titleformat`, but `\\` and `\newline` can.

Examples:

```
\titleformat{\section}%
  {\fontsize{16}{18}\selectfont\bfseries\color{myblue}}
  {\fontsize{46}{50}\selectfont\color{mypur}\arabic{section}\color{black}$\textcolor{myblue}{\textbf{vert}}$}
  {0em}{}
\titleformat{\subsection}%
  {\fontsize{14}{16}\selectfont\bfseries\color{mypur}}
  {\color{myblue}\circled{\arabic{section}.\arabic{subsection}}}
  {0.5em}{}
  [\vspace{-2.5pt}{\color{mygray}\titlerule[5pt]}]
%[\vspace{-20pt}\colorbox{mygray}{
%  \begin{minipage}{\textwidth}
%    \vspace*{2pt} % Space before
%    \hfill
%    \vspace*{2pt} % Space after
%  \end{minipage}}]
\titleformat{\subsubsection}%
  {\fontsize{13}{14}\selectfont\bfseries\color{mypur}}
  {\color{myblue}\arabic{section}.\arabic{subsection}.\arabic{subsubsection}}
  {1em}{}
  [\vspace{-2.5pt}{\color{mygray}\titlerule[3pt]}]
\newcommand\colonafter[1]{#1:}
\titleformat{\paragraph}% Add colon to end of all paragraph headings:
  {\fontsize{12}{13}\selectfont\bfseries\color{myblue}}
  {}
  {0.5em}
  {\colonafter}
```

## 6.2 SPACE AROUND SECTION TITLES

```
\usepackage{titlesec}
\titlespacing*{<command>}{<left>}{<before-sep>}{<after-sep>}{<right-sep>}
\titlespacing*{\section}{-0.50in}{0pt}{0pt}{}
\titlespacing*{\subsection}{-0.25in}{0pt}{0pt}{}
\titlespacing*{\subsubsection}{-0.25in}{0pt}{0pt}{}
\titlespacing*{\paragraph}{-0.25in}{0pt}{0pt}{}
\titlespacing*{\subparagraph}{-0.25in}{0pt}{0pt}{}

```

The asterisk removes paragraph indentation following the section title (doesn't do anything if there is no indentation anyway). It also appears to allow you to set only a few options in `titleformat` without creating empty braces for every single argument (adds to existing title format, rather than starting from scratch...?) This is where you adjust vertical space. Don't try to do this in `titleformat`!

## 6.3 CROSS-REFERENCING IN TEXT

See section `\S\ref{data}` for the data description.

```
...
\subsection{The Data}\label{data}
...
```

May need to run `pdflatex` twice for this to take effect. Obviously won't have anything to refer to if the sections aren't numbered. There should be a way to do this though, like by linking the section name.

## 7. TABLE OF CONTENTS

<http://texblog.org/2011/09/09/10-ways-to-customize-tocloft/>  
<http://tex.stackexchange.com/questions/37940/table-of-contents-with-roman-arabic-and-no-page-numbers>

% n = number of levels deep to go.

```
\setcounter{tocdepth}{n}
```

```
\usepackage[toc]{multitoc}
```

% Multi-column toc (default: n=2)

```
\renewcommand*{\multicolumntoc}{n}
```

% Horizontal separation between toc columns

% (print out as \the\columnsep)

```
\setlength{\columnsep}{30pt}
```

% Width of line between toc columns

```
\setlength{\columnseprule}{0.5pt}
```

Notes:

- You will have to run `pdflatex` twice.
- It appears that creating a toc puts headers on all pages, which may not be desired. See §4 for getting rid of them.
- Need `hyperref` package in order to have clickable links in toc.

Vertical space between toc items:

```
\usepackage{setspace}
```

```
...
```

```
\addtocontents{toc}{\protect\setstretch{n}}
```

% “protect” has something to do with “fragile” things.

```
\renewcommand{\baselinestretch}{<n>}\normalsize
```

% n=2 for double spacing, 1 for single, 0.75 for compress.

```
\setlength{\parskip}{0pt} % Another way to change spacing
```

```
\tableofcontents
```

```
\setlength{\parskip}{10pt} % Spacing for remainder of document
```

Some sections, like those with “\*” won’t be included. To add them:

% Syntax:

```
\addcontentsline{type}{section_level}{entry}
```

% Example:

```
\addcontentsline{toc}{section}{Preface}
```

Include figures and tables in table of contents:

```
\listoffigures
```

```
\listoftables
```

```
\setcounter{lofdepth}{2} % lof = list of figures
```

NOTE: figure and table environments need to be used.

Change heading in toc for each list:

```
\renewcommand\contentsname{}
```

```
\renewcommand\listfigurename{}
```

```
\renewcommand\listtablename{}
```

Fill space between section and page number with dots. By default this is only done for subsections and below.

```
\makeatletter
\renewcommand*{\l@section}{\@dottedtocline{1}{1.5em}{2.3em}}
\makeatother
...
\begin{document}

minitoc?!?
```

## 8. LISTS

```
\usepackage{enumitem}

% Apply customizations globally:
\setlist*{<typeoflist>,<n>}{<option=value>} % Add settings to current
\setlist{<typeoflist>,<n>}{<option=value>} % Start from scratch

% Apply customizations to one individual list:
\begin{<typeoflist>}[options] ... \end{<typeoflist>}

    typeoflist = itemize, enumerate, description, or list. If not specified, options will be applied to all
    types.

    n = nested level (=1 for top level). If not specified, options will be applied to all levels.
```

Available options are as follows:

```
    font e.g. font={\bfseries\sffamily\color{red}}
```

**labelindent** (horizontal) Appears to be the width between edge of text and left side of label. Default must be a negative number, since setting this to 0in aligns the labels with the text.

**labelwidth** (horizontal) Width allotted to the label. This should be equal to or greater than the longest expected label. Good for lining up text when labels are left-aligned. This will override **labelindent** if order is switched!

**labelsep** (horizontal) Space between label (right edge of **labelwidth**) and text (left margin of the item body). NOTE: The **labelsep** is enforced by shoving the label left rather than moving the body left margin right... may need to add a corresponding amount to **leftmargin**.

**leftmargin** (horizontal) Indentation of body text below label. Distance from the left edge of the label to the left margin of the item body. Remember, environments can nest. Defaults to 0. Eventually maxes out and returns to default value.

**rightmargin** Indentation for right margin of body text.

**listparindent** (horizontal) Indentation of the first line of each paragraph (except the first) in an item. Helpful for decreasing interparagraph spacing while cuing beginning of new paragraphs.

**itemindent** (horizontal) “Horrid adjustment”... apparently this one should be avoided.

**headsep** (vertical)

**itemsep** (vertical) Extra inter-item spacing added to **parsep**. Set option to **noitemsep** for no additional space between items (also helps to even out the amount of space between items in nested lists).

**topskip** (vertical)

**topmargin** (vertical)

**topsep** (vertical) Extra space added to **parskip** before the first AND after the last item... bit of a misnomer. Also may not be just for lists...

**parskip** (vertical) Space between paragraphs outside of a list, and part of the space between a non-list paragraph and a list item. **This is NOT a list property; it can be set globally for entire document (see SS ref {}).**

**parsep** (vertical) Paragraph separation within a single item.

**partopsep** (vertical) This is added to the top and/or bottom of the list if and only if there’s a blank line above or below the first or last item. Leave this alone unless blank lines become a problem. Also may not be just for lists...

## 8.1 ITEMIZE

Change label (bullets by default) size/style:

```
\renewcommand{\labelitemi}{\vcenter{\hbox{\tiny$\bullet$}}}  
\renewcommand{\labelitemi}{\tiny$\bullet$} % Same as above?  
\begin{itemize}[label=] % No bullet at all
```

## 8.2 ENUMERATE

Change label (numbers by default):

```
\setlist[enumerate,1]{label=...}  
% Or: \setenumerate[0]{label=...} ?
```

% Labels:

```
{(\arabic*)} % Numbers  
{(\roman*)} % Roman numerals  
{(\Alph*)} % Letters → (A), (B), ...  
{(\alph*)} % Letters → (a), (b), ...
```

% NOTE: the asterisk connects the physical level of the list  
% (e.g. gives label 'b' to second item when using \alph).

% 1.1, 1.2 → 1.2.1, 1.2.2, etc.

```
\setlist[enumerate,1]{label={\arabic{section}.\arabic*}}  
\setlist[enumerate,2]{label={\arabic{section}.\arabic{enumi}.\arabic*}}
```

Or use the enumerate package:

```
\usepackage{enumerate}  
\begin{document}  
\begin{enumerate}[label*=\arabic*.]  
\begin{enumerate}[I]  
\begin{enumerate}[I.]  
\begin{enumerate}[(a)]
```

% Change value of first label:

```
\begin{enumerate}  
  \setcounter{enumi}{<n>}  
  \item ...  
  \item ...  
\end{enumerate}
```

% n = index

% NOTE: array of possible starting numbers are indexed starting at 0!

% So to begin enumerated list with 5, set n = 4.

% \setcounter must be inside enumerate environment.

### 8.3 DESCRIPTION

To customize the description labels (the items inside the brackets), in the preamble:

```
\renewcommand{\descriptionlabel}[1]{%
  \hspace{\labelsep}
  \ttfamily
  \textcolor{red}{#1}
}
```

This puts the labels in typewriter font in a different color. By default, description labels start a distance equal to `hspace` to the left of the text, so adding that line causes them to line up with the left edge of the text instead.

```
align=right
leftmargin=*           % Align with main text... value affects text after the first line
font=\normalfont      % Not bold, which is the default
style=nextline        % Description starts on the next line
style=multiline       % ???
```

If you want the label itself to include brackets, put braces around them:

```
\item [ label text {[label text in brackets]} ] description text
```

### 8.4 LIST

```
\begin{list}{default_label}{decls}
  default label: Text to be used as a label (leave blank if none desired)
  decls: geometrical parameters
```

### 8.5 TASKS

```
\usepackage{tasks}
...
\begin{tasks}(4)
  \task one
  \task two
\end{tasks}
```

a) one      b) two

These will be listed horizontally, rather than vertically. The number in parentheses affects the horizontal space between each task; the higher the number, the smaller the spacing. Maybe refers to how many tasks should fit on one line?

## 9. COLORS

```
\usepackage{color}
\usepackage{xcolor}
```

The `color` package is needed to use pre-defined colors (white, black, red, green, blue, cyan, magenta, yellow). The `xcolors` package is needed to define new colors (see § 9.1), color the background, and to use color mixtures.

```
% Color background
\pagecolor{yellow!30}

% Applied to a small bit of text.
\textcolor{green}{I want this text to be green.}
\textcolor[rgb]{0,1,0}{text} % green

% applied to all following until color is changed again
% or inside environment containing the statement
\color[rgb]{1,0,0} % red

\colorlet{<new color name>}{<old color name>}

% 30% blue, 70% green
\color{blue!30!green}

% 0.20(0,0,1) +
% (1-0.20)(1,0,0) +
% 0.3(1,0,0) +
% (1-0.30)(0,1,0)
\color{blue!20!red!30!green}
```

### 9.1 DEFINE YOUR OWN COLORS

<http://latexcolor.com>

```
\usepackage[usenames, dvipsnames]{color}
\definecolor{color}{HIML}{AF00D7} % HIML must be in caps!
\definecolor{mypink1}{rgb}{0.858, 0.188, 0.478}
\definecolor{mypink2}{RGB}{219, 48, 122}
\definecolor{mypink3}{cmyk}{0, 0.7808, 0.4429, 0.1412}
\definecolor{mygray}{gray}{0.6}
\textcolor{mygray}{text I want to be gray}.
```



## 10. HYPERLINKS

In preamble:

```
% break long links over multiple lines.
\usepackage[breaklinks=true]{hyperref}
\hypersetup{
  hidelinks,          % ?
  linktocpage,        % only page #s are clickable links in toc
  linktoc=all,        % ?
  colorlinks=true,    % Allow color for various links
  urlcolor=blue,
  linkcolor=black,
  citecolor=magenta,
}
\urlstyle{same}
```

NOTE: ‘draft’ option (`\documentclass[draft]{...}`) removes toc links.

Insert hyperlink in text:

```
\url{http://google.com}
\href{http://google.com}{link text}
```

Insert link to local file:

```
\href[] {run:/path/to/paper.pdf}{text}
```

Link text to other text in document:

```
\hypertarget{word1label}{\hyperlink{word2label}{Word1}}
\hypertarget{word2label}{\hyperlink{word1label}{Word2}}
```

## 11. TEXTBOXES

Several options:

```
% Simple frame
\usepackage{framed}
\begin{framed}...\end{framed}

% colorbox (does not support line breaks)
\colorbox{hl}{\parbox{0.9\textwidth}Text in box}

% fcolorbox
\fbxrule=<value><unit> % Adjust thickness of border
\fbxsep=<value><unit> % Adjust thickness of padding
\fcolorbox{<border-color>}{<background-color>}{<contents>}

% Use \textrm{t}, \textrm{c}, \textrm{b} options
% to align the base line of the top, center, and bottom row
% with the surrounding baseline.

% Example:
\fbxrule=1pt and \fbxsep=5pt
Text...
\medskip % ?
\noindent\fcolorbox{red}{yellow}{%
  \minipage[t]{\dimexpr0.48\linewidth-2\fbxsep-2\fbxrule\relax}
    Text...
  \endminipage}\hfill
\fcolorbox{red}{yellow}{%
  \minipage[t]{\dimexpr0.48\linewidth-2\fbxsep-2\fbxrule\relax}
    Text...
  \endminipage}
\medskip
Text...
```

## 11.1 TCOLORBOX

<http://mirrors.ibiblio.org/CTAN/macros/latex/contrib/tcolorbox/tcolorbox.pdf>

```
\usepackage{tcolorbox}
\tcbset{
  nobeforeafter , % place boxes side by side
  colback=color ,
  colbacktitle=color ,
  colframe=color ,
  coltitle=color ,
  fonttitle={\Large\bfseries , nobeforeafter , center title } ,
  fontupper|fontupper=\fontsize{14pt}{16pt}\selectfont ,
  width=4cm ,
  height=8cm ,
  boxrule=3mm , % width of all four sides
  toprule=3mm ,
  bottomrule=3mm ,
  leftrule=3mm ,
  rightrule=3mm ,
  arc=0mm , % Sharp corners
  boxsep=1.0in , % space between box edges and text
  sidebyside , % Divide left/right
  halign=center ,
  valign=center ,
}
...
\begin{document}
...
\begin{tcolorbox}[<options>]
  ...
  \tcblower % divide box into two sections , upper and lower
  ...
\end{tcolorbox}
```

Example:

```
\usepackage{tcolorbox}
\begin{tcolorbox}[colback=red!5!white , colframe=red!75!black , title=My nice heading]
  My awesome color box.
\end{tcolorbox}
```

## 12. MINIPAGE/COLUMNS

```
\begin{minipage}[<vertical align>][<height>]{<width>}
\raisebox{0pt}[<height>][<depth>]{...}
\begin{minipage}[t]{0.2\textwidth}
  stuff
\end{minipage}
\begin{minipage}[t]{0.8\textwidth}
  longer stuff
\end{minipage}
```

Use multicol package:

```
\usepackage{multicol}

% Start 2-columns
\begin{multicols}{2}
  ...
\end{multicols}

% Add asterisk to prevent forcing columns to equal heights
\begin{multicols*}{2}
  ...
\end{multicols*}

% No forcing cols to fill vertical space (same as above?)
\raggedcolumns

[
  \section{First section}
  Text that is not confined to declared columns. Not sure why you wouldn't
  just put this before starting the columns, but whatev.
]

\vfill           % No forcing cols to fill vertical space (not working)
\columnbreak     % Start at top of next column

\addtolength{\columnsep}{5mm} % add space between columns
\setlength{\columnseprule}{0.4pt} % set thickness of line between columns
```

## 13. SYMBOLS

```
\AA{}    % Angstrom (does not go between $s)
\infty   % infinity
\sim     % '~'
\approx  % 'double ~'
\propto  % proportionality symbol (like alpha)
\equiv   % like '=', but with three lines.
\& \%   % include these symbols in document
          % (also precede a space with '\ ' when in math mode).
\pm      % plus or minus (\mp for minus or plus)
\textbackslash % \
\textgreater % >
\textless   % <
```

some text

## 14. LINES

```
\hline % forces a break between paragraphs
\rule{length}{thickness} % Doesn't force break between paragraphs
\line(x-slope, y-slope){length} % Syntax

% Example of horizontal line.
% Can't find an explanation of units for 'length'.
\line(1,0){450}
\dotfill
\hrulefill
```

## 15. VERBATIM

```
\verb|text| % inline

\begin{verbatim} % environment
... text ...
\end{verbatim}
```

## 16. LSTLISTING

<http://users.ecs.soton.ac.uk/srg/softwaretools/document/start/listings.pdf>

Use to write code into latex documents (nicer than verbatim).

```
\usepackage{listings}

\lstset{ %
  backgroundcolor=\color{white}, % need package color or xcolor
  basicstyle=\footnotesize, % font size
  breakatwhitespace=false, % automatic breaks only at whitespace
  breaklines=true, % automatic line breaking
  captionpos=b, % sets the caption-position to bottom
  commentstyle=\color{mygreen}, % comment style
  deletekeywords={...}, % delete keywords from the given language
  escapeinside={\%*}{*}, % for adding LaTeX within your code
  extendedchars=true, % non-ASCII characters; 8-bits encodings only;
                        % does not work with UTF-8
  frame=single, % adds a frame around the code
  keepspaces=true, % keeps spaces in text (e.g. indentation)
                  % (possibly needs columns=flexible)
  keywordstyle=\color{blue}, % keyword style
  language=Octave, % the language of the code
  otherkeywords={*,...}, % if you want to add more keywords to the set
  numbers=left, % where to put the line-numbers;
                % possible values are (none, left, right)
  numbersep=5pt, % how far the line-numbers are from the code
  numberstyle=\tiny\color{mygray}, % the style that is used for the line-numbers
  rulecolor=\color{black}, % if not set, the frame-color may be changed
                           % on line-breaks within not-black text
                           % (e.g. comments (green here))
  showspaces=false, % show spaces everywhere adding particular
                    % underscores;
                    % it overrides 'showstringspaces'
  showstringspaces=false, % underline spaces within strings only
  showtabs=false, % show tabs within strings adding
                  % particular underscores;
  stepnumber=2, % the step between two line-numbers.
                % If it's 1, each line will be numbered
  stringstyle=\color{mymauve}, % string literal style
  tabsize=2, % sets default tabsize to 2 spaces
  title=\lstname % show the filename of files included
                % with \lstinputlisting;
                % also try caption instead of title
}
...
\begin{lstlisting}
  code code code
\end{lstlisting}
```

## 17. ENVIRONMENTS AND COMMANDS

### Defining a new command

Syntax: `\newcommand{<cmd>}[<n>][<opt>]{<stuff>}`

`n` Number of arguments

`opt` Options

`stuff` stuff

Existing environments (list, adjustwidth, etc.) can be used inside new commands.

### Changing an existing environment

```
\renewenvironment{name}{%  
    ...}
```

### Defining a new environment

```
\newenvironment{name}[#]{%  
    {<initialization code> (before text)}  
    {<finalization code> (after text)}  
}
```

## 18. GRAPHICS

### 18.1 FIGURES

```
\usepackage{graphicx}
% Not needed with Beamer?
% Seems to be needed for \graphicspath:
\graphicspath{ % If only using one path, still need both sets of {}s
  {/first/path/to/graphics/}
  {/second/path/to/graphics/}
  ...
}
\usepackage{float} % manage floating graphics
...
\begin{figure}[<placement specifier(s)>]
\centering
\includegraphics[<options>]{GreekSymbols.jpg}
\caption{How to insert greek symbols in LaTeX}
\label{greek}
\end{figure}
```

Options:

- width=5.0in
- draft=true—false
- angle=90—180—etc...

Note: use a tilde, e.g. See figure~\ref{figlabel} to prevent “figure” and number from being separated at a line break.

Placement specifiers:

t Top  
b Bottom  
p Page of floats  
h Here, if possible  
H Here, definitely  
! Force LaTeX to ignore its own determined location

LaTeX thinks it knows where to put your figures better than you do...

Note that placement specifiers are for floating figures. If you’re using, e.g. the deluxetable environment with aastex, these options won’t work (you’ll actually get an error).

### 18.2 TABLES

```
\renewcommand{\arraystretch}{2} % Apply doubling spacing between table rows, if desired
\setlength{\tabcolsep}{12pt} % Add space between columns
\begin{table}[h]
\caption{Values for polytropic index  $n = 4.5$ }
\centering
\begin{tabular}{cccccccc}
\hline\hline
 $n$  &  $\xi_1$  &  $\rho_c/\rho$  &  $N_n$  &  $W_n$  &  $\Theta_n$  &  $\rho_c[g, cm^{-3}]$  &  $P_c[dyne, cm^{-2}]$  &  $T_c[K]$  \\
\hline
4.5 & 31.841 & 6187.500 & 0.658 & 4917.415 & 3.329 & 8718.704 & 5.535e19 & 4.742e7 \\
\hline
\end{tabular}
\end{table}
```



```

\end{tabular}\\
\label{table:nonlin}
\end{table}

```

For the `tabular` line, `c` stands for center-justified; use `l` and `r` for left and right justified.

```

\begin{tabular}{r p{6in}}
  one & two \newline more text
\end{tabular}
% p = top alignment
% b = bottom alignment
% m = center alignment

```

The `p/b/m` options are “paragraph options”. They’re left-aligned, let you set the width of the cell so that long

text will wrap nicely, and allow the use of `\newline` in the `tabular` environment, if needed.

- A `\rotatebox{90}{B}C`
- A `\rotatebox{270}{B}C`
- A `\rotatebox[origin=c]{270}{B}C`

### 18.3 BACKGROUND

Paragraph sep is 2.0pt

```

\usepackage[<options>]{background}
% or
\usepackage{background}
\backgroundsetup{<options>} % Can be used in body of document

% Options:
pages=all|some
opacity=n % 0 <= n <= 1
color=
contents=

\BgThispage
\NoBgThispage

```

### 18.4 GRIDS AND DIAGRAMS

```

\usepackage[<options>]{tikz}
...
\begin{document}

% Dimensions to use for entire pic
% [cm...where tikzpicture options define the units?]
\def\w{18}
\def\h{18}

\begin{tikzpicture}[x=1cm, y=1cm, semitransparent]
% x,y -> units for grid coordinates below

\draw[step=1mm, line width=0.1mm, black!30!white] (0,0) grid (\w, \h);
% step - width of each box
% line width - thickness of lines
% (0,0) - relative to... ?

\node[draw] at (0,0) {text} % align = left|right, text width=

```

## 19. BIBLIOGRAPHIES

Bibtex - entries are stored in a separate file, e.g. `reffile.bib`, then imported into the main document. This file is formatted like `@article{id,...}`. (NOTE: Bibtex is NOT a package. Also not specific to aastex.)

```
\bibliographystyle{plain}
\bibliographystyle{plainnat} % Comes with natbib package; displays full url
\bibliographystyle{te} % te – one of many formatting styles; optional?
\begin{document}
... \cite{id} ...
\bibliography{reffile}
\end{document}
```

Natbib package:

```
\usepackage{natbib}
%% In text citations:
\cite{Smith2018} % —> Smith et al. (2018)
\citep{Smith2018} % —> (Smith et al. 2018)
\cite{label1, label2} % 1+ papers by same author
\citet[p.~199]{label} % cite specific page
\citealt{label} % ?
```

## 20. LABELS AND CROSS-REFERENCING

```
\label{sec:labelname}...\ref{ssec:labelname} % section
\label{ssec:labelname}...\ref{ssec:labelname} % subsection
\label{sssec:labelname}...\ref{ssec:labelname} % subsubsection
\label{fig:labelname}...\ref{fig:labelname} % Figures
\label{tab:labelname}...\ref{tab:labelname} % Tables
```

In case same name is used for multiple things. Also requires multiple runs of `pdflatex`.

## 21. MATHS!

- [Link](#)
- [Link](#)

### 21.1 IN-TEXT MATH MODE

Examples

- $\frac{1}{4}$
- $G = 6.67 \times 10^{-8}$

If text is bold, make math symbols bold as well:

```
\usepackage{amsmath}
...
\textbf{This article discusses the  $\beta$  parameter}
\textbf{This article discusses the  $\boldsymbol{\beta}$  parameter}
```

**This article discusses the  $\beta$  parameter**

**This article discusses the  $\boldsymbol{\beta}$  parameter**

### 21.2 EQUATIONS

#### 21.2.1 NUMBERED EQUATIONS

```
\begin{equation}
P_{\text{mag}} = \frac{B^2}{\sqrt{4\pi\rho_o}}
\end{equation}
```

$$P_{\text{mag}} = \frac{B^2}{\sqrt{4\pi\rho_o}} \quad (1)$$

#### 21.2.2 EQUATIONS WITHOUT NUMBERING

Note that the `\boxed{...}` commands are putting the examples in boxes, but are not necessary for writing equations.

```
\begin{equation*}
\boxed{P_{\text{mag}} = \frac{B^2}{\sqrt{4\pi\rho_o}}}
\end{equation*}
```

$$P_{\text{mag}} = \frac{B^2}{\sqrt{4\pi\rho_o}}$$

Or simply put double `$$` on each side of equation:

```
$$P_{\text{mag}} = \frac{B^2}{\sqrt{4\pi\rho_o}}$$
```

$$P_{\text{mag}} = \frac{B^2}{\sqrt{4\pi\rho_o}}$$

This may not work for more complicated math, such as matrices. Apparently it is now best to use brackets rather than `$$`s:

```
\[
  P_{\text{mag}} = \frac{B^2}{\sqrt{4\pi\rho_o}}
\]
```

### 21.2.3 ALIGNING EQUATIONS

```
\usepackage{amsmath}
...
\begin{align}
k_1 &= hf(x_n, y_n) \\
k_2 &= hf(x_n + \frac{1}{2}h, y_n + \frac{1}{2}k_1) \\
k_3 &= hf(x_n + \frac{1}{2}h, y_n + \frac{1}{2}k_2) \\
k_4 &= hf(x_n + h, y_n + k_3) \\
y_{n+1} &= y_n + \frac{1}{6}k_1 + \frac{1}{3}k_2 + \frac{1}{3}k_3 + \frac{1}{6}k_4 + O(h^5)
\end{align}
```

$$k_1 = hf(x_n, y_n) \tag{2}$$

$$k_2 = hf(x_n + \frac{1}{2}h, y_n + \frac{1}{2}k_1) \tag{3}$$

$$k_3 = hf(x_n + \frac{1}{2}h, y_n + \frac{1}{2}k_2) \tag{4}$$

$$k_4 = hf(x_n + h, y_n + k_3) \tag{5}$$

$$y_{n+1} = y_n + \frac{1}{6}k_1 + \frac{1}{3}k_2 + \frac{1}{3}k_3 + \frac{1}{6}k_4 + O(h^5) \tag{6}$$

$$\tag{7}$$

Can also remove numbering from aligned equations:

```
\begin{align*}
...
\end{align*}
```

### 21.3 SIZE OF BRACKETS, PARENTHESES, ETC.

In order of increasing size:

```
\big( ... \big)
\Big( ... \Big)
\bigg( ... \bigg)
\Bigg( ... \Bigg)
```

BETTER:

```
\left( ... \right)
```

to scale size of brackets to what is inside them!

Increase size of fraction inside text:

```
\cfrac{1}{2}
```

There are  $\frac{1}{2}$  as many as there were.

There are  $\frac{1}{2}$  as many as there were.

## 21.4 ARRAYS

```
\[ \left\{\begin{array}{l c r c l}x & & y & & z\end{array}\right\}
```

## 21.5 SUPERSCRIPTS, SUBSCRIPTS, AND PRESCRIPTS

```
\[ \sum_{j=1}^{\mathclap{j=1}} x \quad % \usepackage{mathtools}
\prescript{238}{92}{U}
```

$$\sum_{j=1}^{238} x_{92} U$$

## 21.6 REFERRING TO PARTS OF EQUATION

<http://tex.stackexchange.com/questions/261315/how-to-change-color-of-underbrace>

```
\usepackage{amsmath}
...
\begin{document}
...
\<command>[<width>][<depth>]{<stuff>}
```

Possible commands:

underbrace  
overbrace  
underbracket  
overbracket

```
\usepackage{mathtools}
\usepackage{ragged2e}
\newlength\ubwidth
\newcommand\parunderbrace[2]{%
  \settowidth\ubwidth{#1$}
  \underbrace{#1}_{\parbox{\ubwidth}{\scriptsize RaggedRight#2}}}
```

Example:

```
$\underbrace{P(X \mid O)}_{p_1} \propto \overbrace{P(X)P(O \mid X)}^{p_2} \\
$\underbrace{P(X \mid O)}_{\text{This explains this part}} \propto \overbrace{P(X)P(O \mid X)}^{\text{And this explains the other part}}$
```

$$\underbrace{P(X|O)}_{p_1} \propto \overbrace{P(X)P(O|X)}^{p_2}$$

And this explains the other part

$$\underbrace{P(X|O)}_{\text{This explains this part}} \propto \overbrace{P(X)P(O|X)}$$

21.7 OPERATIONS

21.7.1 INTEGRALS

```

 $\int$  % indefinite integral
 $\int_{x1}^{x2}$  % definite integral, between x1 and x2

```

21.7.2 SQUARE ROOT

```

 $\sqrt{2\ln(2)}$ 

```

21.7.3 SUMMATION (AND THE MULTIPLICATION VERSION)

```

 $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} 2^{-n} = 1$ 

```

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} 2^{-n} = 1$$

```

 $P(D|M) \propto \prod_{i=0}^{N-1} \left[ \exp \left[ -\frac{1}{2} \left[ \frac{y_i - y(x_i|a_j)}{\sigma} \right]^2 \right] \Delta y \right]$ 

```

$$P(D|M) \propto \prod_{i=0}^{N-1} \left\{ \exp \left[ -\frac{1}{2} \left[ \frac{y_i - y(x_i|a_j)}{\sigma} \right]^2 \right] \Delta y \right\}$$

## 22. INCLUDING SEPARATE FILES

Files in current directory: `file1.tex`, `file2.tex`, `file3.tex`. Then edit main file (e.g. `main.tex`):

```
% To only include one or a few files (everything in main file is compiled).
\includeonly{file1, file3}
\begin{document}
...
\include{file1}
...
\include{file2}
...
\include{file3}
...
```

- `input`
  - No extra files created
  - No ‘input only’ option
  - No page breaks around the file contents
  - Can be used inside files to be input/included.
- `include`
  - Creates second file `file.aux`, which keeps track of counter values to preserve page numbers, chapters, etc.
  - Can use ‘includeonly’ to keep from compiling everything
  - Effectively places `\clearpage` before and after the file contents
  - Can’t be used inside files to be input/included.

`\include{file.tex}` does nothing. `\input{file.tex}` works, but may as well be consistent, and never include file extensions here either.

## 23. UNSORTED

Check `filename.log` for version of packages used. May need to add `\listfiles` in the preamble first.

```
\usepackage{lipsum}
\lipsum[2-4] % paragraphs 2 -> 4
```

1. shortest
2. second-longest
3. second-shortest
4. Longest

Counters:

```
\newcounter{paranum}
\refstepcounter{paranum}\theparanum
% Before adding the 'refstepcounter{paranum} part, the counter started at 0
% and didn't increment. Adding it started at 1, and did increment.
```

```
\the<counter> % In general...
```

```
% Levels to show in table of contents
\setcounter{tocdepth}{4}
```

```
% Levels of sections to show numbers (4 -> paragraphs are numbered)
\setcounter{secnumdepth}{4}
```

```
\usepackage{amsmath, amsfonts}
$ a\:\text{and}\:b\in\mathbb{N}$
```

$a$  and  $b \in \mathbb{N}$

In `think_python.tex`, add part for using straight single quotes in verbatim environment.

Lined background (like notebook paper):

```
\documentclass{article}
\usepackage[vmargin=3cm]{geometry}
\usepackage{tikzpagenodes}
\usepackage{lipsum}
\usepackage{background}

\definecolor{notepadrule}{RGB}{217,244,244}

\backgroundsetup{
  contents={%
    \begin{tikzpicture}
      \foreach \fila in {0,...,52}
      {
        \draw [line width=1pt,color=notepadrule]
          (current page.west|-0,-\fila*12pt) -- ++(\paperwidth,0);
      }
      \draw[overlay,red!70!black,line width=1pt]
        ([xshift=-1pt]current page text area.west|-current page.north) --
        ([xshift=-1pt]current page text area.west|-current page.south);
    \end{tikzpicture}%
  },
  scale=1,
  angle=0,
```



```

opacity=1
}

\begin{document}

\lipsum[1–14]

```

Grid:

```

\documentclass{article}
\usepackage{tikz}
\usepackage{multido} % ?
\usepackage[margin=0pt]{geometry} % To cover entire page
\unitlength=1mm

\definecolor{purple}{rgb}{0.44, 0.16, 0.39}
\definecolor{green}{rgb}{0.12, 0.3, 0.17}
\definecolor{blue}{rgb}{0.03, 0.27, 0.49}
\definecolor{cyan}{rgb}{0.0, 0.55, 0.55}

\begin{document}

% Graph paper
%\newgeometry{left=1.0pt}
\begin{tikzpicture}[x=1.0in, y=1.0in] %, semitransparent]
  \draw[step=0.25in, line width=0.2mm, blue!20!white]
    (0,0) grid (8.5,11.0);
\end{tikzpicture}
\newpage
\begin{tikzpicture}[x=1.0in, y=1.0in] %, semitransparent]
  \draw[step=0.25in, line width=0.2mm, blue!20!white]
    (0,0) grid (8.5,11.0);
\end{tikzpicture}

% Dotted grid
\newpage
\begin{tikzpicture}[scale=.5]
  \foreach \x in {0,...,43}
    \foreach \y in {0,...,55}{\fill[black!20!white] (\x,\y) circle (0.06cm);}
\end{tikzpicture}
\newpage
\begin{tikzpicture}[scale=.5]
  \foreach \x in {0,...,43}
    \foreach \y in {0,...,55}{\fill[black!20!white] (\x,\y) circle (0.06cm);}
\end{tikzpicture}

%\restoregeometry

```